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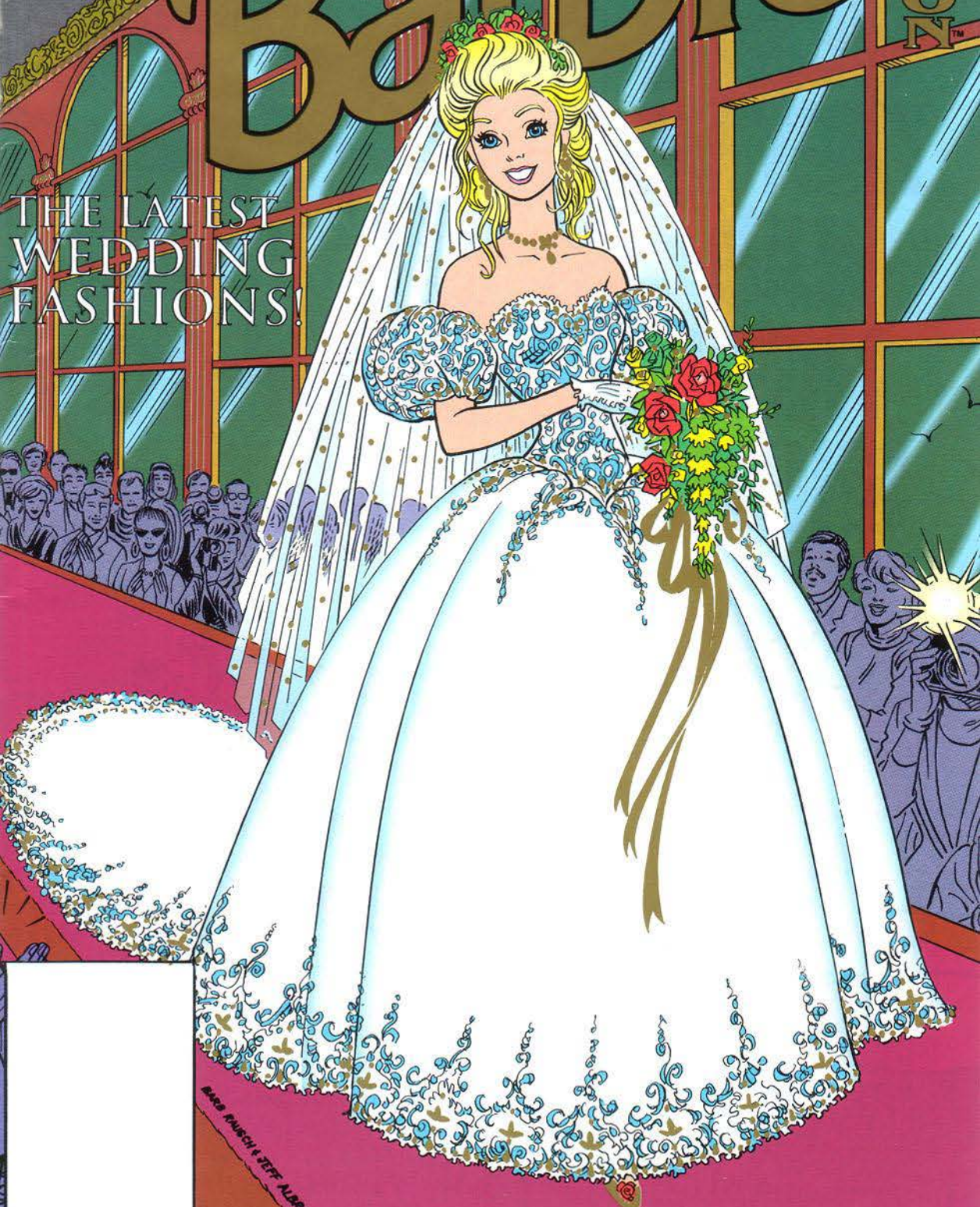
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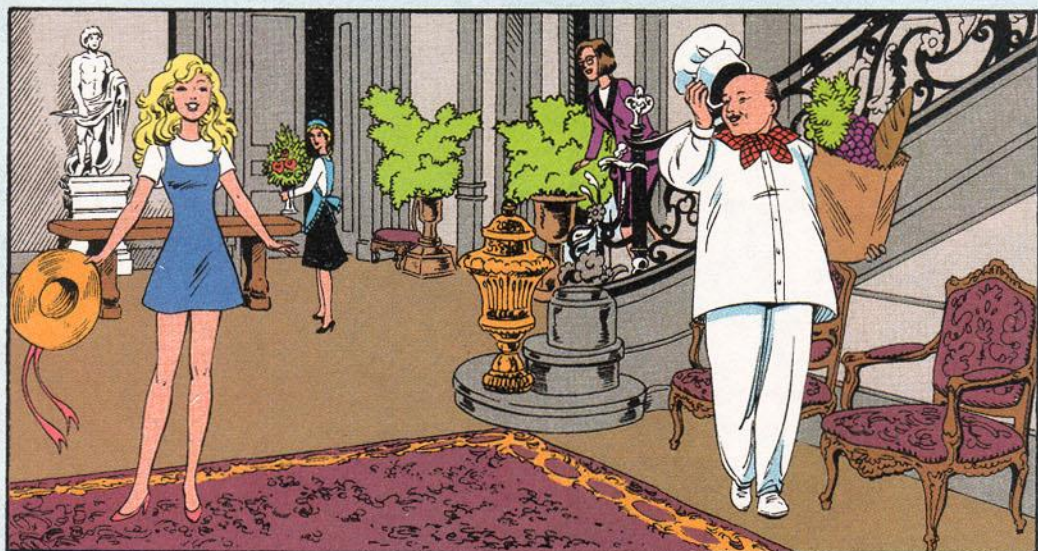
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HAD
THEIR
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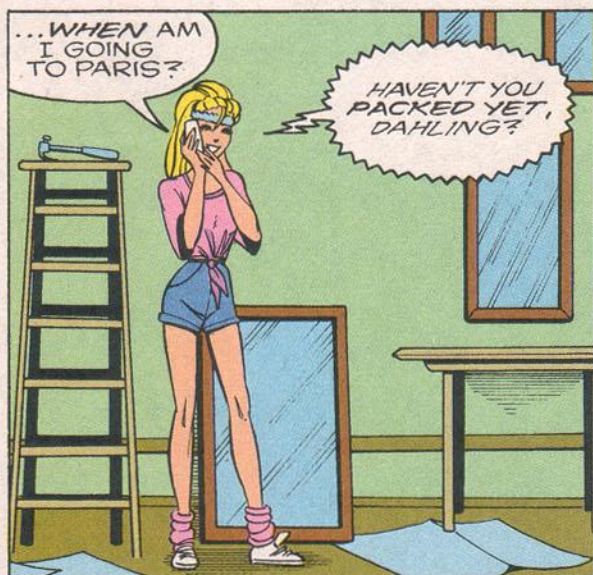
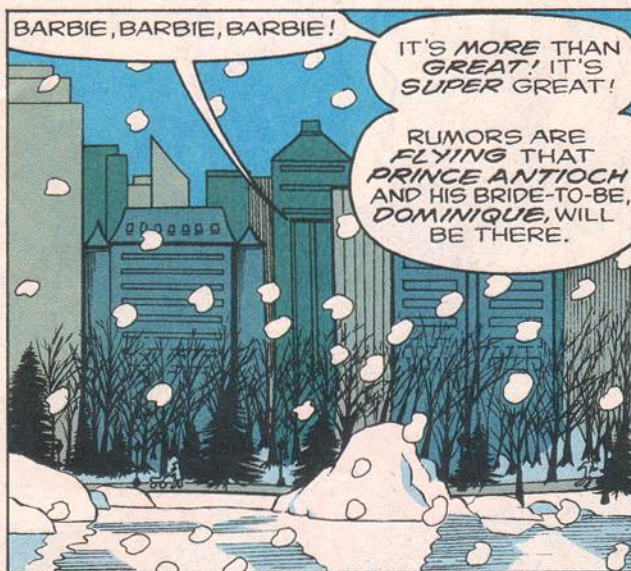
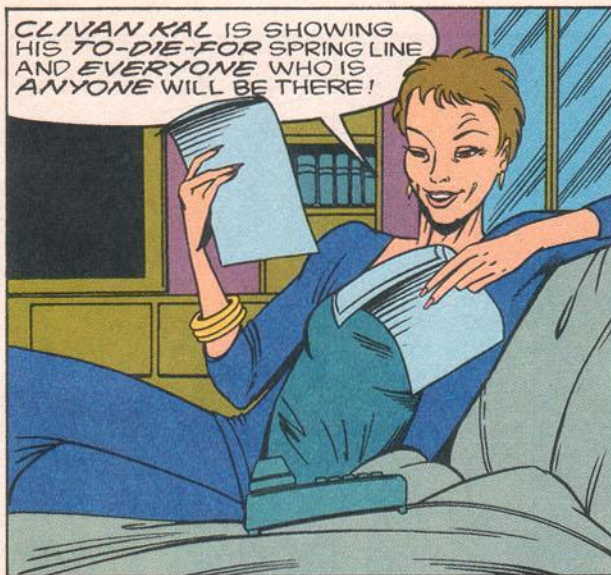
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CLIVAN,
BARBIE LOOKS
DIVINE IN
YOUR
DESIGN!

THANK YOU,
LUCY. I JUST
HOPE PRINCE ANTIOCH
CHOOSSES ONE OF
MY BRIDAL GOWNS
FOR HIS PRINCESS!

THEN MY DESIGN
WILL BE ON
EVERY MAGAZINE
COVER IN
THE COUNTRY!

OOH
LA
LA!

TELL
CLIVAN KAL
DOMINIQUE WILL
TRY *THAT*
BRIDAL GOWN.

OUI, YOUR
MAJESTY!

BARBIE!
OVER
HERE!

WHIRR

TRÈS
BELLE!*

BARBIE
IS WEARING
BLAH BLAH
BLAH BLAH...

SUPERB!

MAGNIFIQUE!

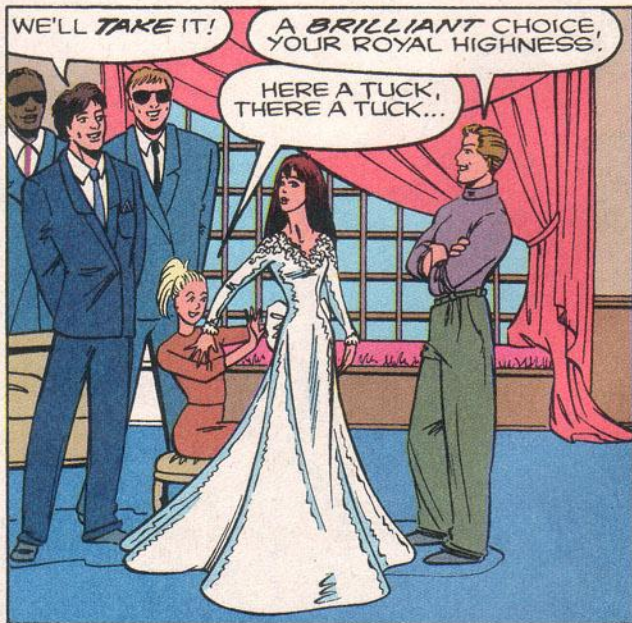
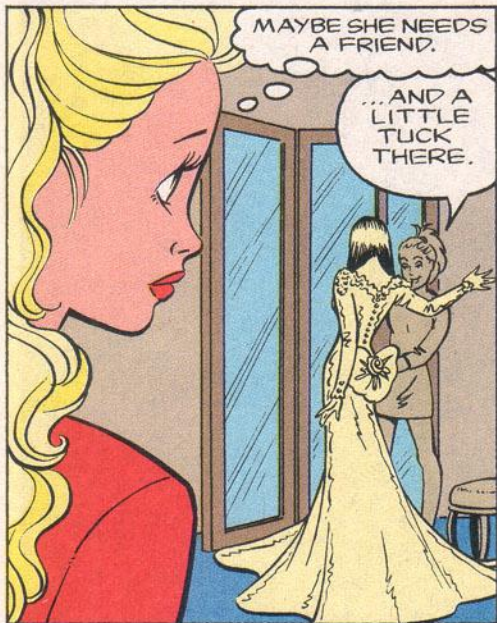
BRAVO!

WHEN I GET
MARRIED, I WANT
THAT GOWN!

OOOH!

*VERY BEAUTIFUL
IN FRENCH.--
Hildy

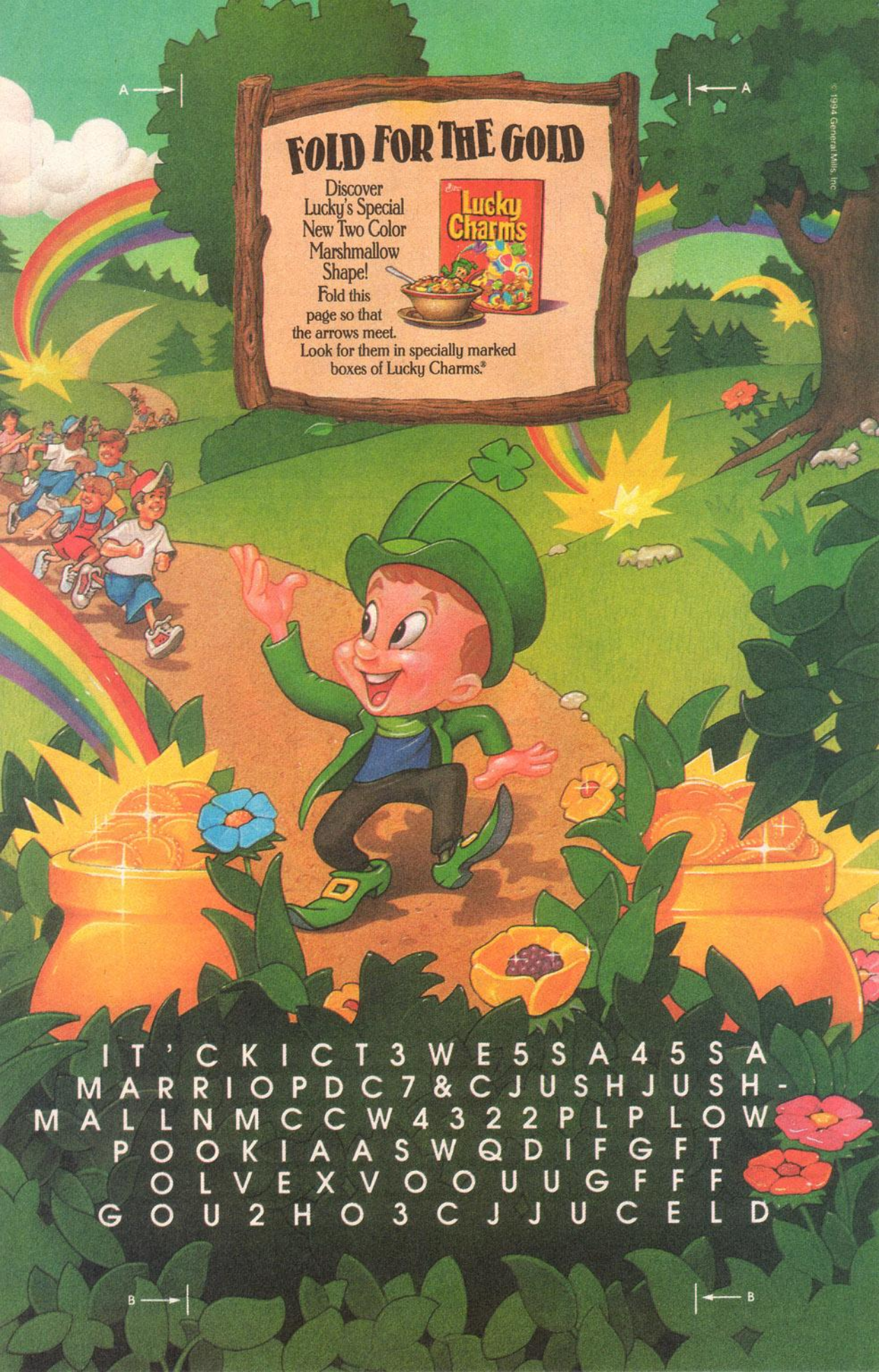
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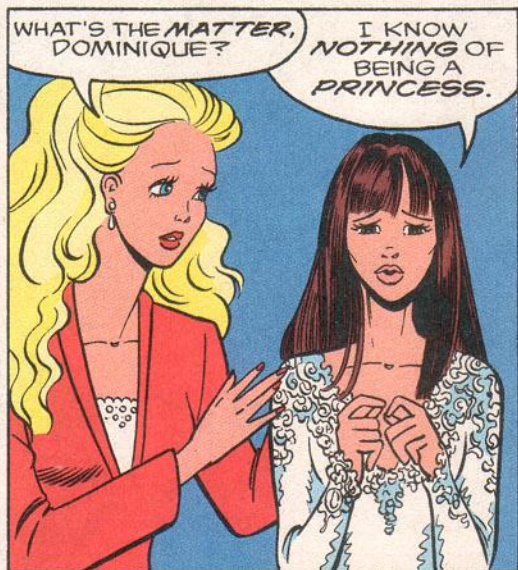
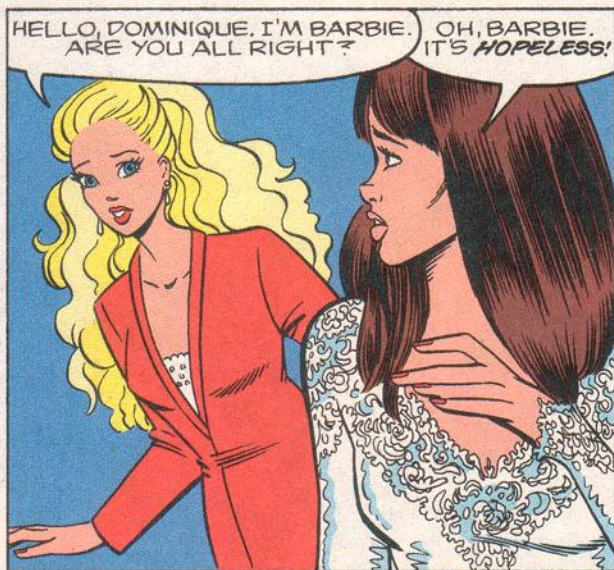
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page so that
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P O O K I A A S W Q D I F G F T
O L V E X V O O U U G F F F
G O U 2 H O 3 C J J U C E L D



SO MUCH HAS
HAPPENED
SO FAST!

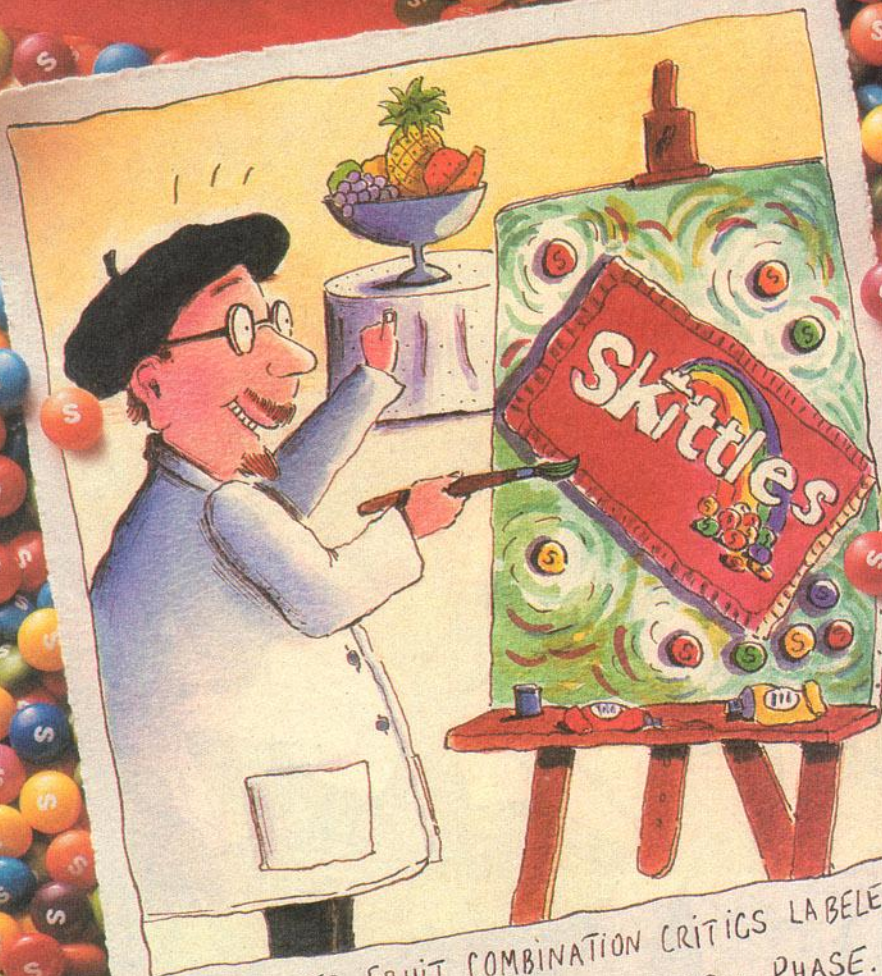
"ONE DAY I WAS WALKING IN
THE BEAUTIFUL GREEN FIELDS
BACK HOME WHEN..."

"...A HANDSOME
MAN CAME RIDING
BY ON
A MAGNIFICENT
HORSE!"

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"FROM THE TALL GRASS, I
WATCHED THE HANDSOME
MAN FEED HIS HORSE,..."

"... THEN JUMP FENCES."

SUDDENLY OUR EYES MET --
IT WAS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT!
THEN ..."

CONK!

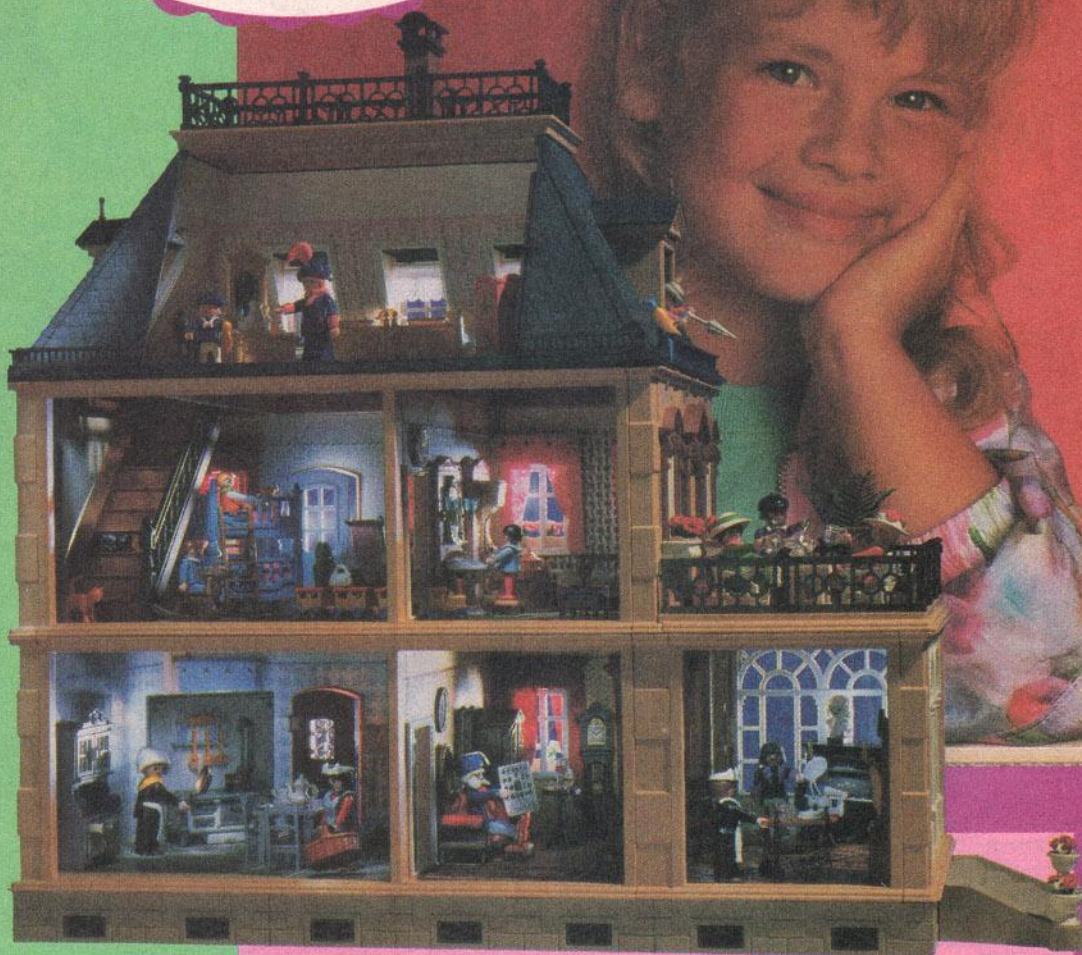
OH, MY GOODNESS!

ARE
YOU
OKAY?

I AM NOW!
WHO
ARE YOU?

OOOHHH!

My **playmobil®** dollhouse!



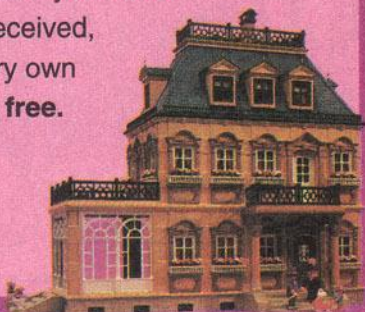
*... My name is Nina,
I am 4 years old and I have
three close friends
and live in a house
with 6 rooms.*

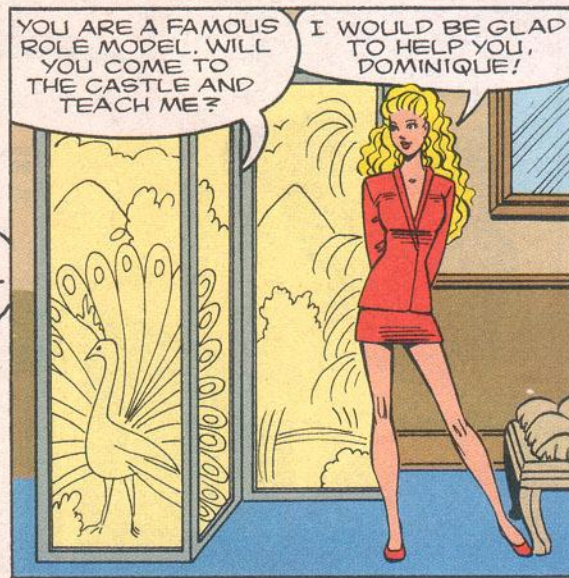
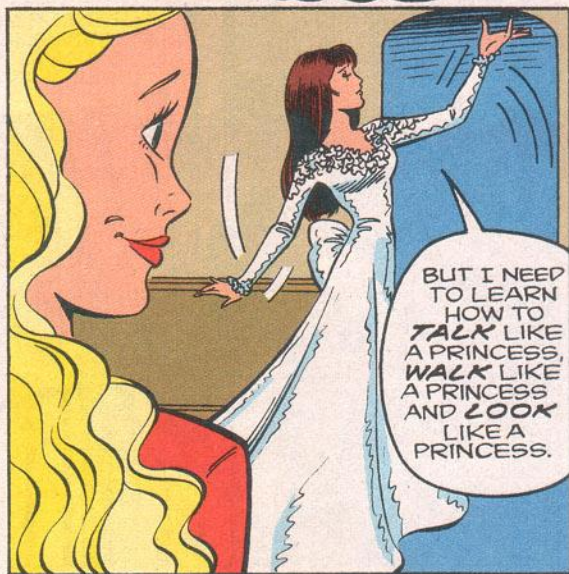


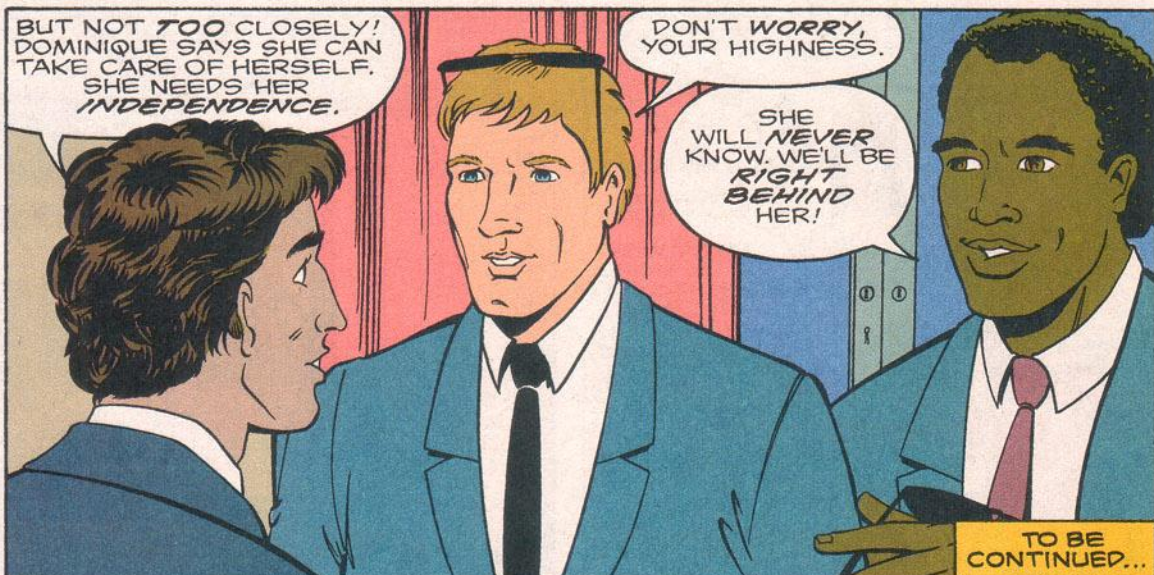
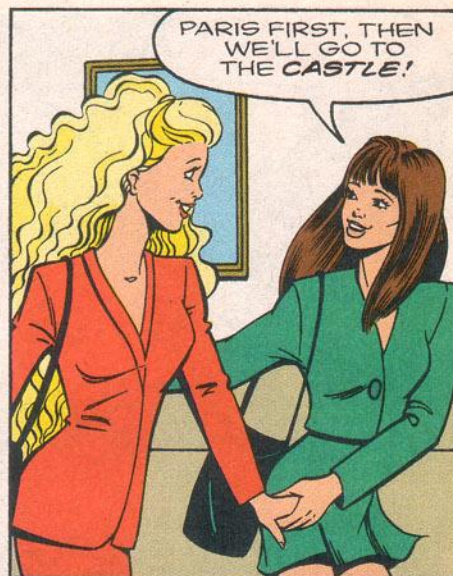
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PART 3

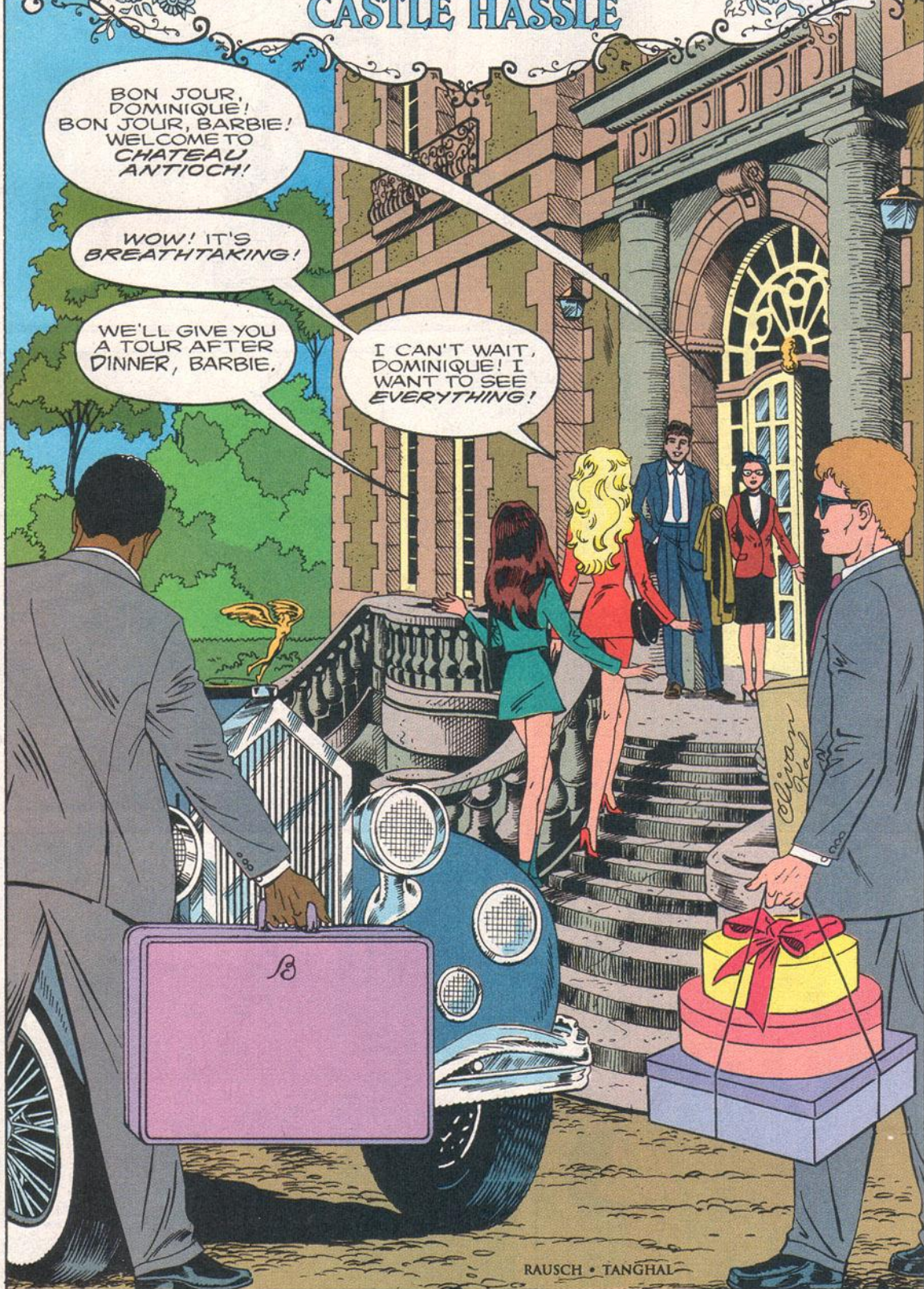
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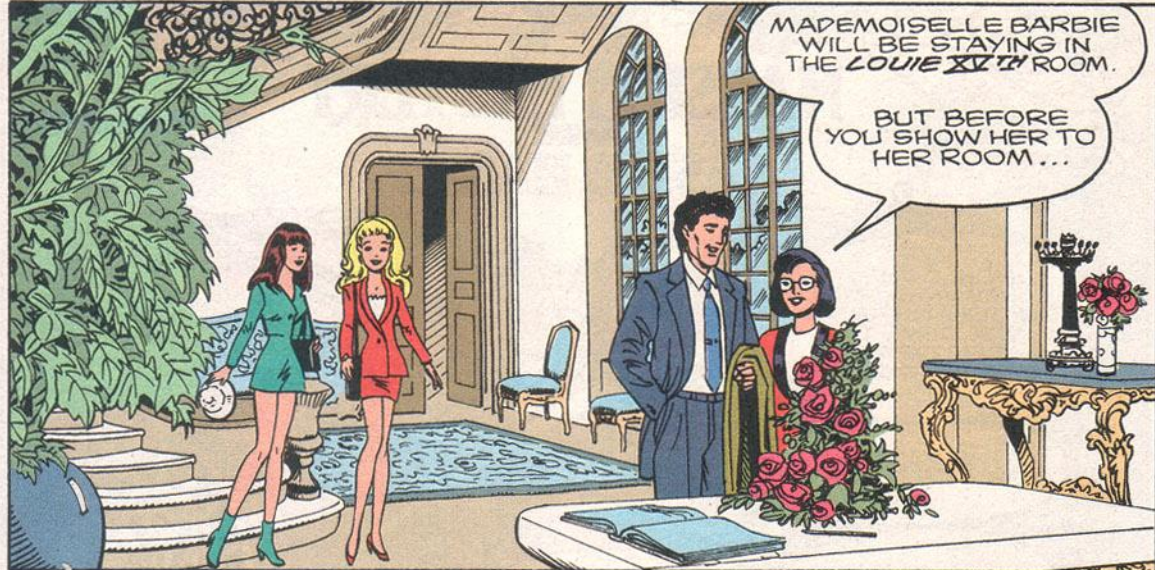
BON JOUR,
DOMINIQUE!
BON JOUR, BARBIE!
WELCOME TO
CHATEAU
ANTIOCH!

WOW! IT'S
BREATHTAKING!

WE'LL GIVE YOU
A TOUR AFTER
DINNER, BARBIE.

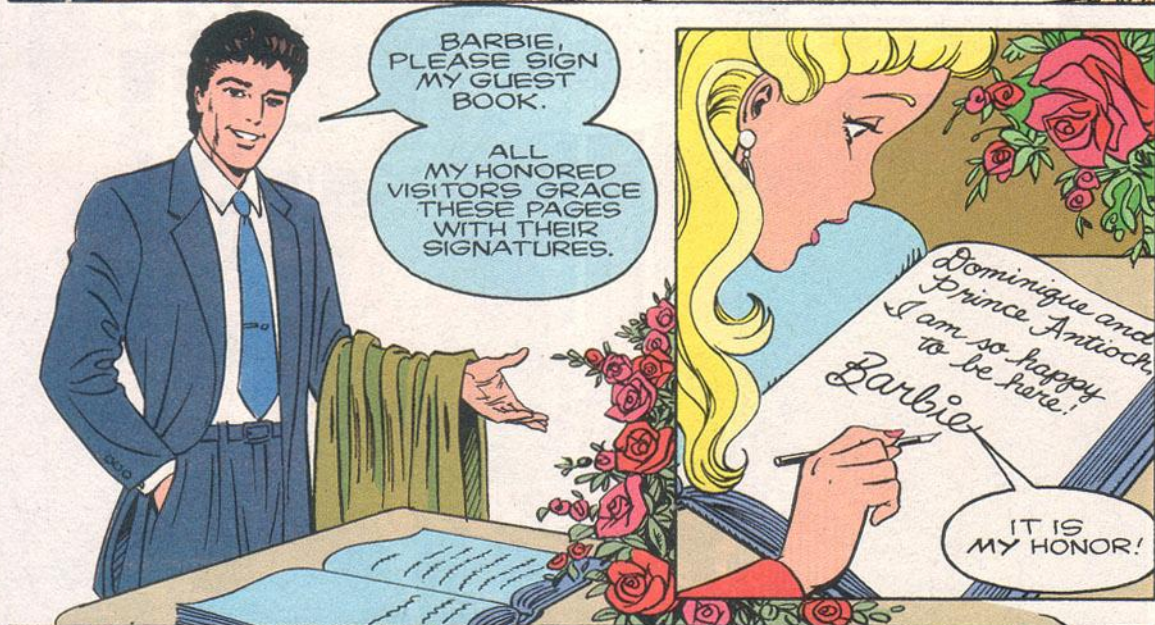
I CAN'T WAIT,
DOMINIQUE! I
WANT TO SEE
EVERYTHING!





MADMOISELLE BARBIE
WILL BE STAYING IN
THE LOUIE XVTH ROOM.

BUT BEFORE
YOU SHOW HER TO
HER ROOM...

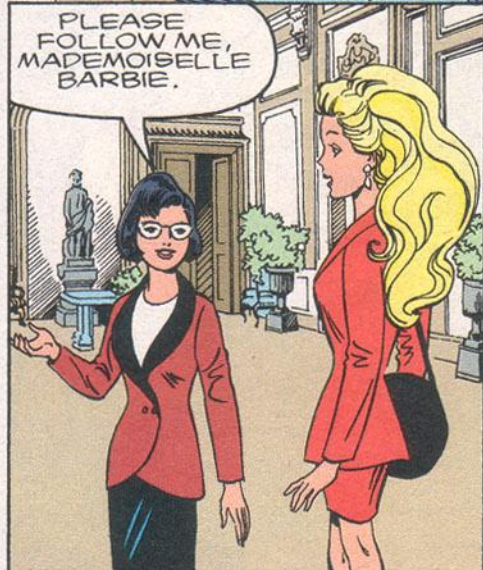


BARBIE,
PLEASE SIGN
MY GUEST
BOOK.

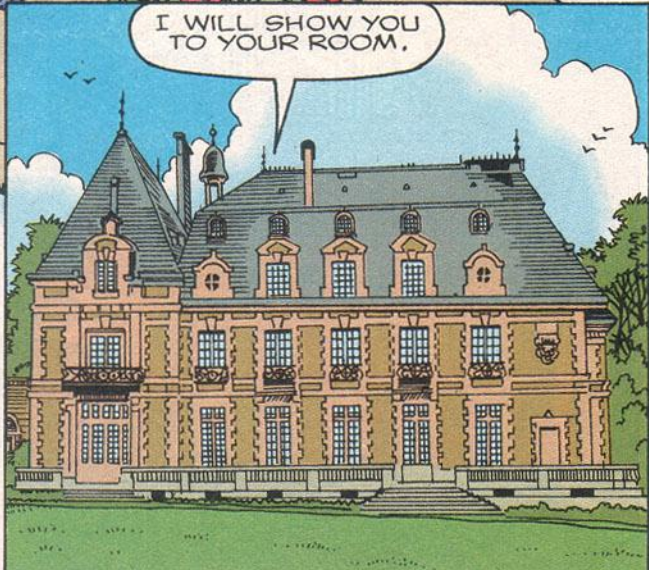
ALL
MY HONORED
VISITORS GRACE
THESE PAGES
WITH THEIR
SIGNATURES.

*Dominique and
Prince Antioch.
I am so happy
to be here!
Barbie*

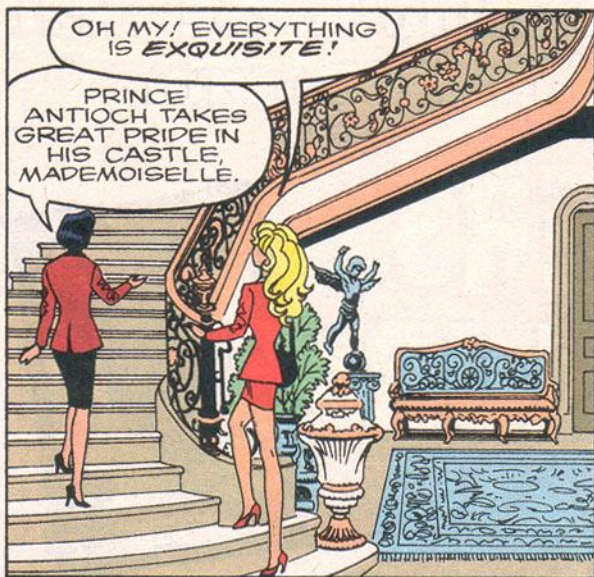
IT IS
MY HONOR!



PLEASE
FOLLOW ME,
MADMOISELLE
BARBIE.

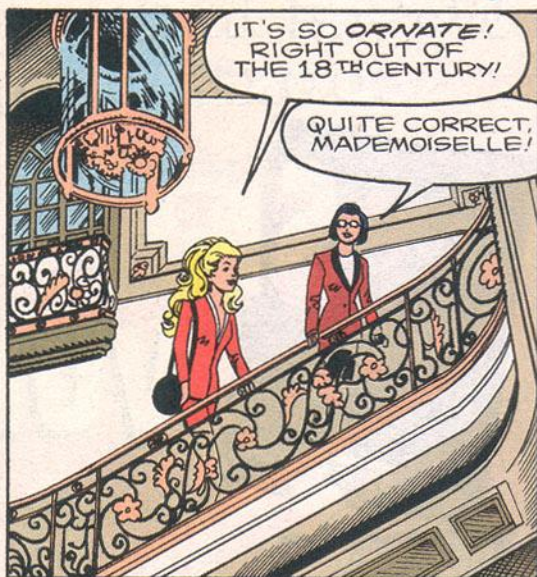


I WILL SHOW YOU
TO YOUR ROOM.



OH MY! EVERYTHING IS EXQUISITE!

PRINCE ANTIOCH TAKES GREAT PRIDE IN HIS CASTLE, MADEMOISELLE.



IT'S SO ORNATE! RIGHT OUT OF THE 18TH CENTURY!

QUITE CORRECT, MADEMOISELLE!

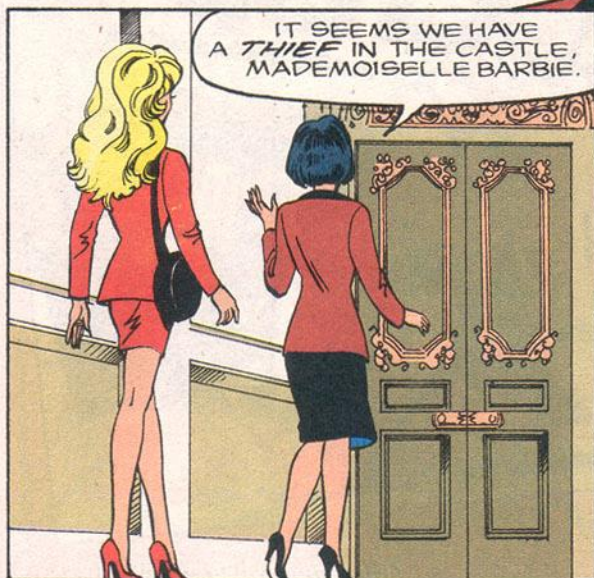


I DON'T WISH TO ALARM YOU, MADEMOISELLE BARBIE...

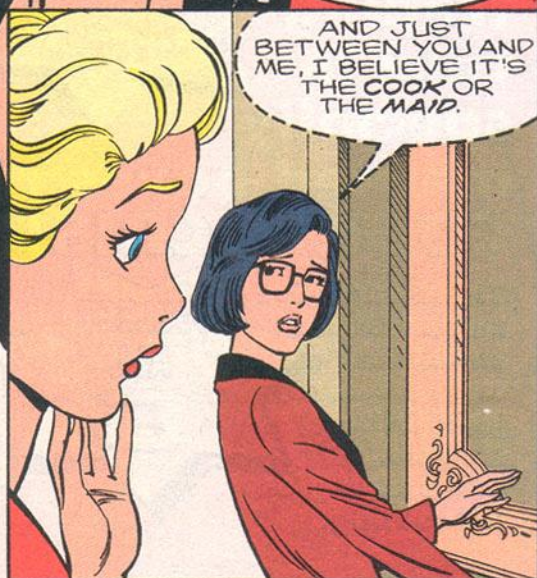
... BUT I WOULD BE REMISS IN MY DUTIES IF I DIDN'T ALERT YOU TO A MOST PECULIAR OCCURRENCE IN THE CASTLE.



YOU SEE, ONE OF PRINCE ANTIOCH'S ANTIQUE PLACE SETTINGS HAS DISAPPEARED.



IT SEEMS WE HAVE A THIEF IN THE CASTLE, MADEMOISELLE BARBIE.



AND JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME, I BELIEVE IT'S THE COOK OR THE MAID.

We'RE haPPy tO aNnoUnCE tHat
COOKiE-CriSp® now cOntains



SPIDERS, VULTURES, SCORPIONS, OCTOPUS and moRe!

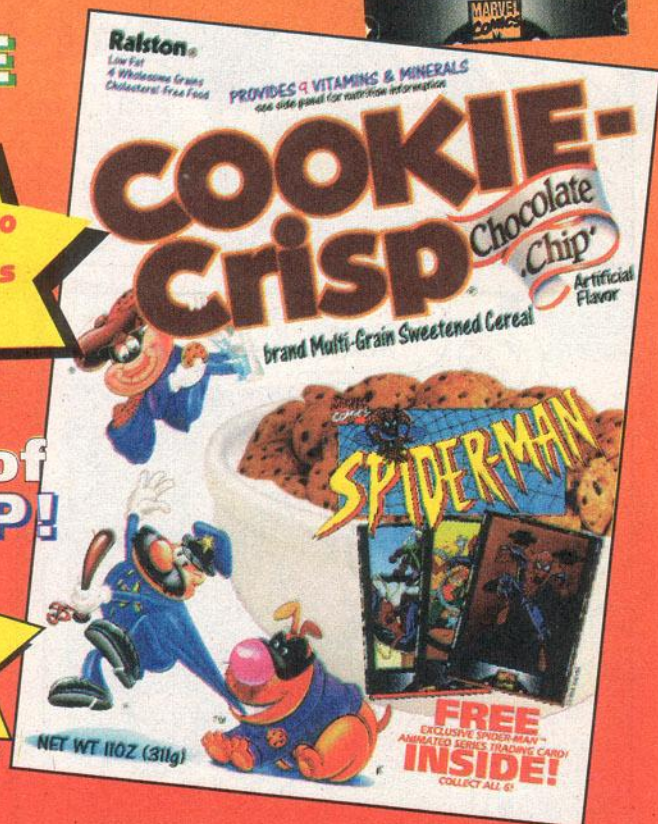


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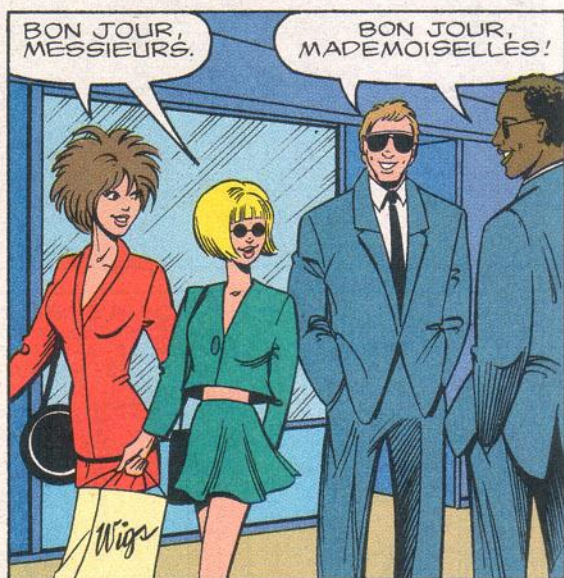
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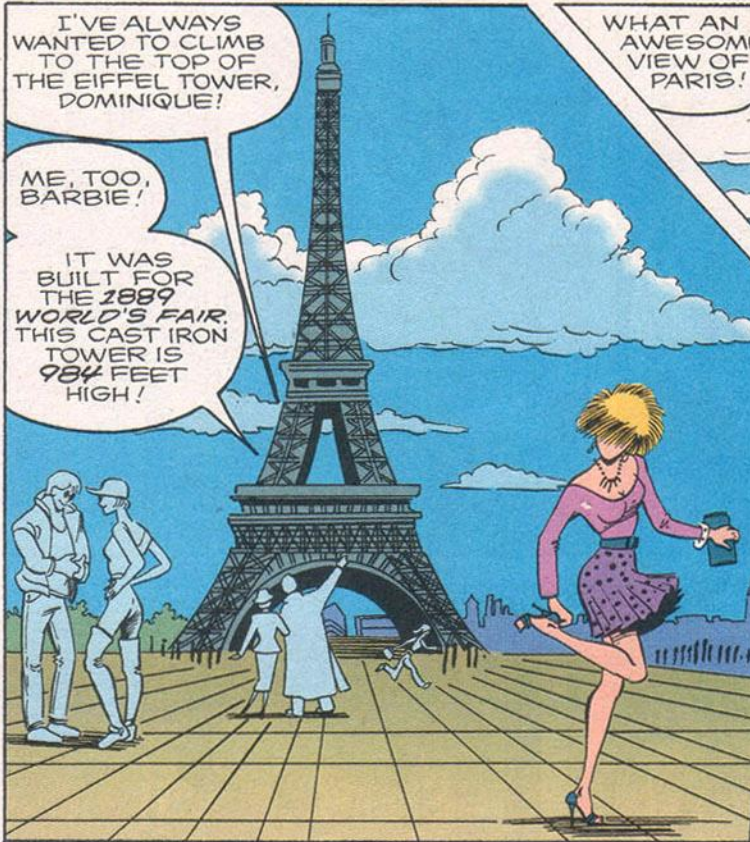
COLLECT
ALL
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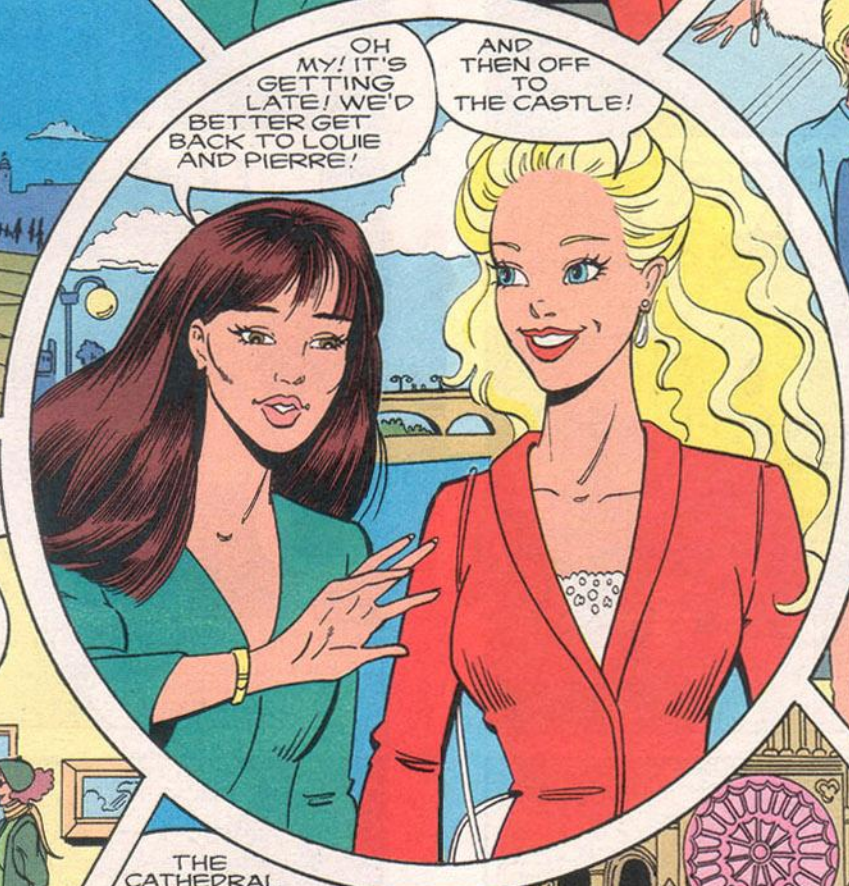
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO CLIMB TO THE TOP OF THE EIFFEL TOWER, DOMINIQUE!

ME, TOO, BARBIE!

IT WAS BUILT FOR THE 1889 WORLD'S FAIR. THIS CAST IRON TOWER IS 984 FEET HIGH!

WHAT AN AWESOME VIEW OF PARIS!

AND I CAN SEE MANY OF THE FASHIONABLE GIRLS OF THE CITY!



OH MY! IT'S GETTING LATE! WE'D BETTER GET BACK TO LOUIE AND PIERRE!

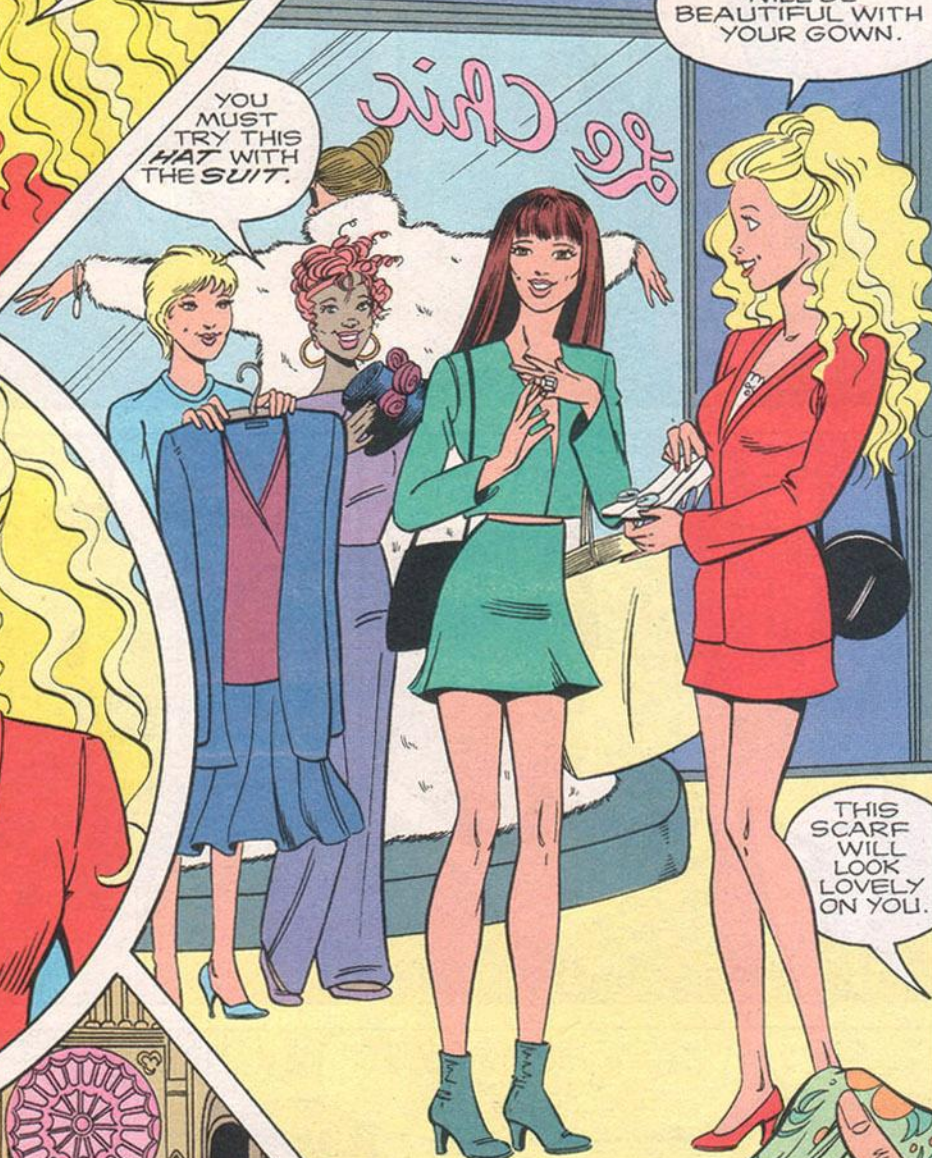
AND THEN OFF TO THE CASTLE!

THE EIFFEL TOWER IS A GREAT LANDMARK! IT WASN'T TORN DOWN WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD'S FAIR!

YOU MUST TRY THIS HAT WITH THE SUIT.

LE CHIC HAS ALL THE LATEST FASHIONS, DOMINIQUE!

THESE SHOES WILL BE BEAUTIFUL WITH YOUR GOWN.



THIS SCARF WILL LOOK LOVELY ON YOU.

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL PAINTING!

THE MONA LISA WAS ONE OF LEONARDO DA VINCI'S FAVORITES! HE TOOK IT WITH HIM WHENEVER HE TRAVELED.

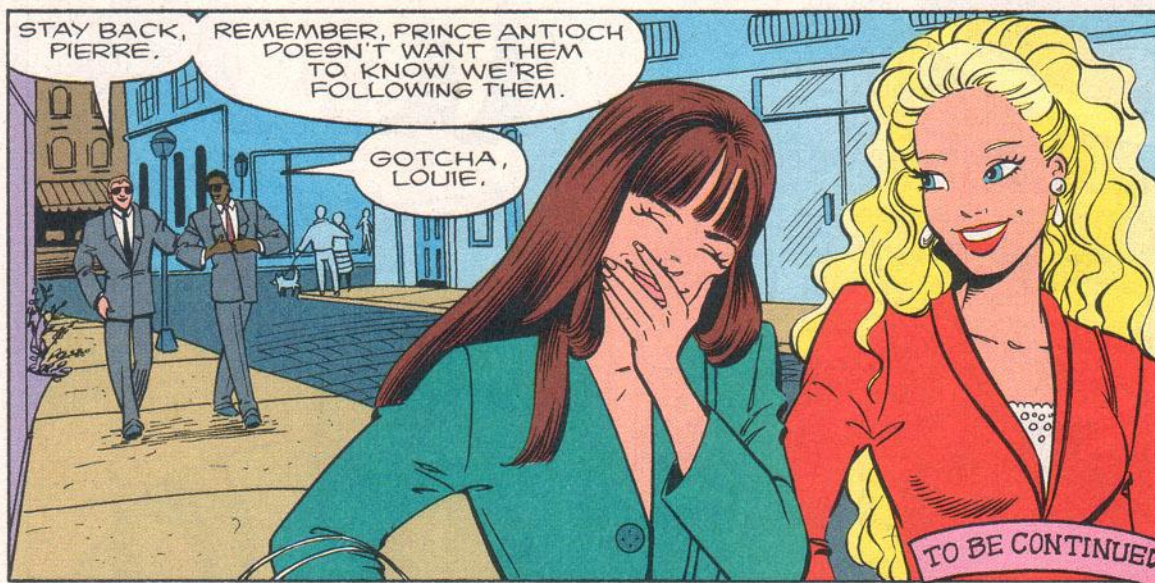
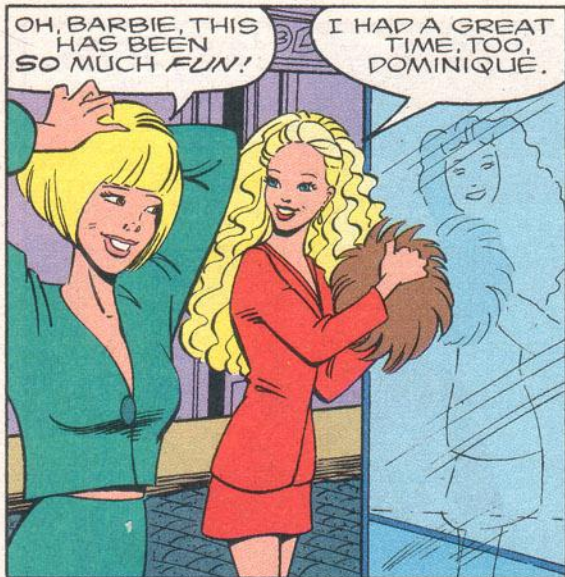


THOSE GIRLS LOOK LIKE ARTISTS, BARBIE! THEY'RE VERY STYLISH!

THE CATHEDRAL OF NOTRE DAME IS HUGE! AND LOOK AT THOSE ROSE WINDOWS!

AND THAT BEAUTIFUL ROSE DRESS!







NOW TAKE THE BAGUETTES* FROM THE OVEN.

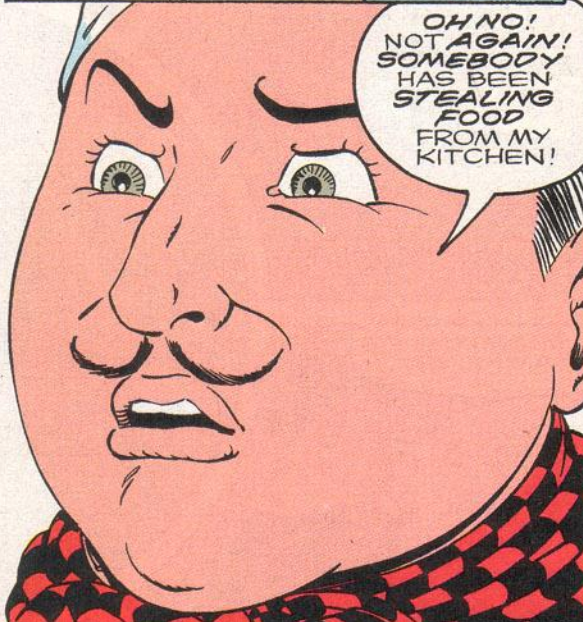
OUI, MAESTRO! RIGHT A--

*FRENCH BREAD.---
Hildy



--WAY?!

BUT THERE **ARE** NO BAGUETTES IN THE OVEN!

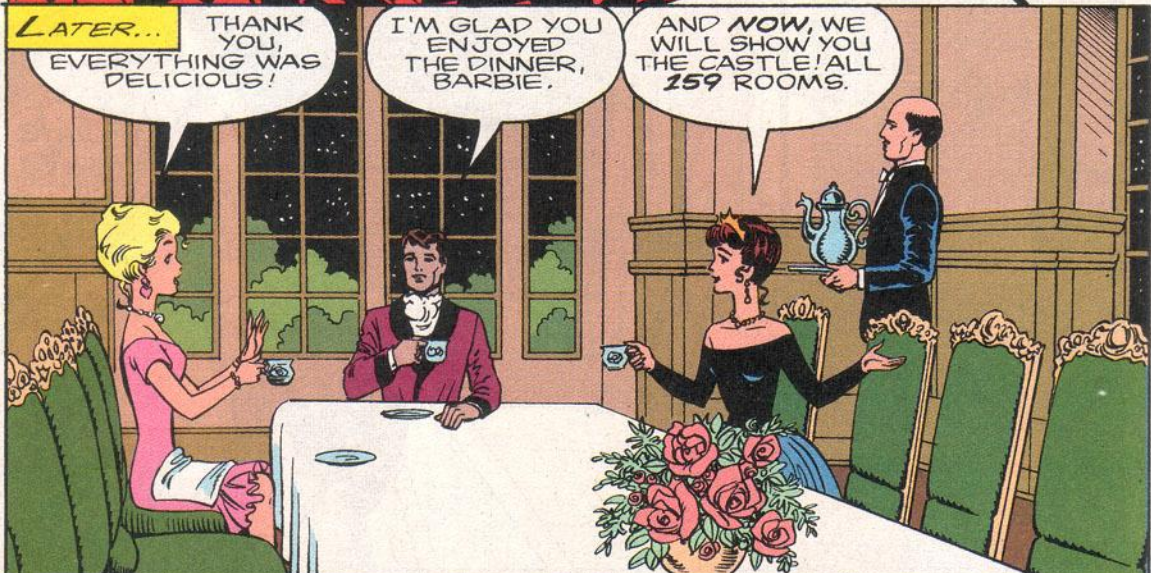


OH NO! NOT AGAIN! SOMEBODY HAS BEEN STEALING FOOD FROM MY KITCHEN!



AND JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME...

I THINK THE **THIEF** IS EITHER THE **BUTLER** OR THE **MAID**!



LATER...

THANK YOU, EVERYTHING WAS DELICIOUS!

I'M GLAD YOU ENJOYED THE DINNER, BARBIE.

AND NOW, WE WILL SHOW YOU THE CASTLE! ALL 159 ROOMS.

AND SOON...

THIS ROOM IS DECORATED IN KING LOUIE XIV STYLE. THE CARPET IS AN **AUBUSSON*** CARPET. ONE PERSON COULD WEAVE JUST 32 SQUARE FEET IN ONE YEAR!

MY GOODNESS! IT MUST HAVE TAKEN YEARS TO WEAVE **THIS** CARPET!

THIS CLOCK IS FROM LOUIE XVI. HE LOVED TO TINKER WITH LOCKS AND CLOCKS.

SPECIAL FURNITURE WAS MADE IN THE 18TH CENTURY LIKE THE CHAISE LOUNGE...

...AND THE **ÉCRITOIRE**. *

*MAJOR WEAVING CENTER THAT PRODUCED RUGS FOR THE KING. -- *Wiley*

*SMALL DESK... -- *Wiley*



FROM THIS PART OF THE CASTLE, YOU MUST OPEN 100 DOORS TO GET TO THE KITCHEN!

100 DOORS! THAT'S AMAZING!

OR YOU CAN TAKE A SHORT CUT THROUGH THE FORMAL GARDENS!

WHO IS THIS BEAUTIFUL PORTRAIT OF?

IT IS **MADAME MARTINE**. SHE LIVED IN THIS CASTLE BEFORE ME.

POOR DEAR VANISHED FROM SIGHT! NOBODY HAS SEEN HER SINCE!

AS YOU CAN SEE, IN THIS **ROCOCO *** STYLE OF LOUIS XV, THE WALLS ARE VERY DECORATIVE, OFTEN GILDED. **

*VERY ELABORATE, FROM 18TH CENTURY. ** TO OVERLAY WITH THIN COATING OF GOLD. -- *Wiley*

HOW DO YOU BECOME A

SUPER HERO?




GET BITTEN BY
A RADIOACTIVE
SPIDER!



OR
JUST EAT



BE EXPOSED
TO GAMMA
RADIATION!



BE BORN
A MUTANT!



HAVE AN
ADAMANTIUM
SKELETON!



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What's the best ~~part~~ part of
Peanut Butter Crunch's taste?



It's all...

Peanut
butter



I just
love
the
taste
of
peanut
butter

What
tastes
good?



PEANUT
BUTTER

Peanut
butter



PEANUT
BUTTER



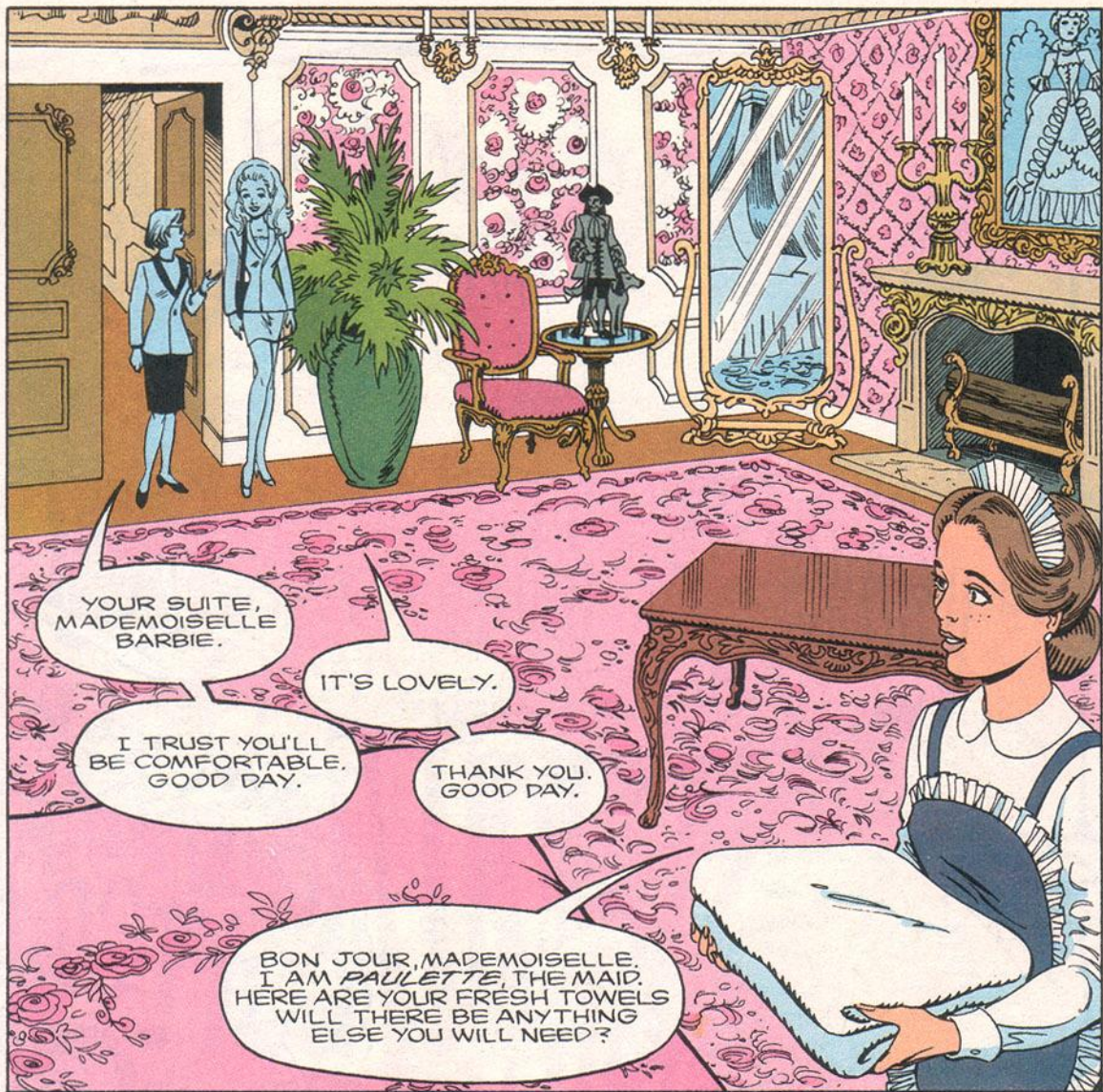
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the Crunch that Screams peanut
butter





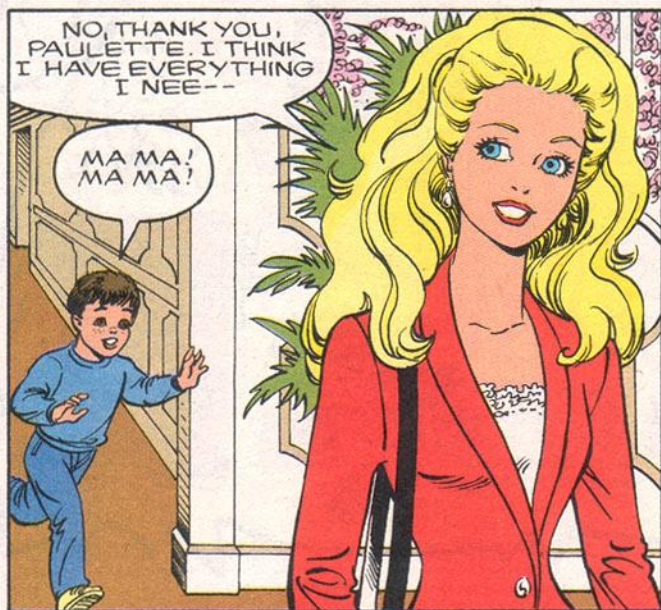
YOUR SUITE, MADMOISELLE BARBIE.

IT'S LOVELY.

I TRUST YOU'LL BE COMFORTABLE. GOOD DAY.

THANK YOU. GOOD DAY.

BON JOUR, MADMOISELLE. I AM PAULETTE, THE MAID. HERE ARE YOUR FRESH TOWELS. WILL THERE BE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WILL NEED?

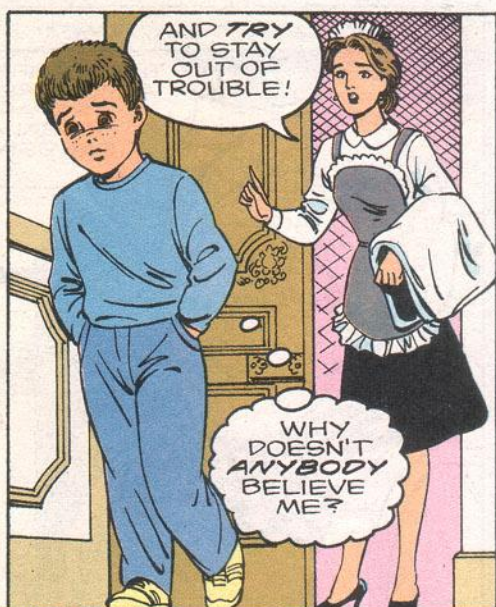
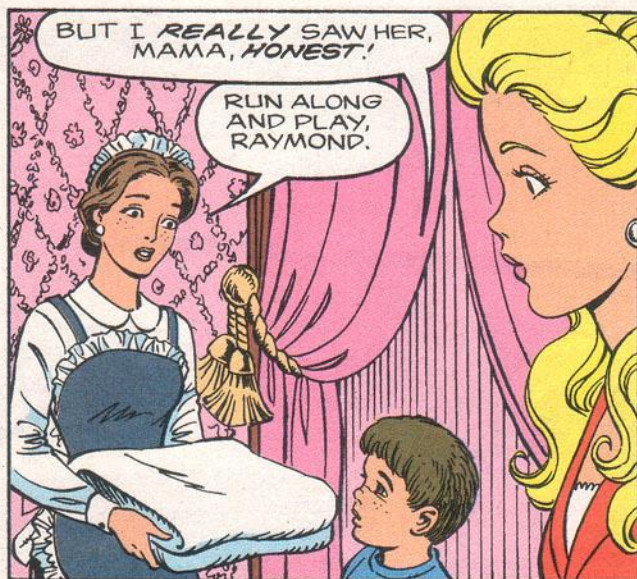
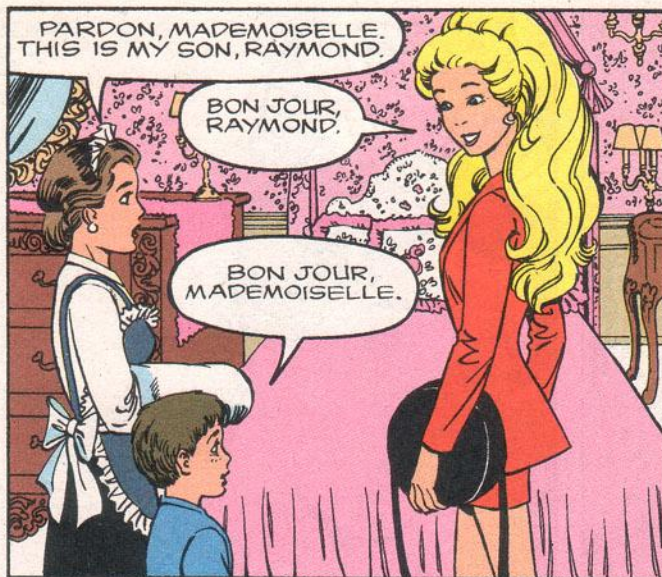


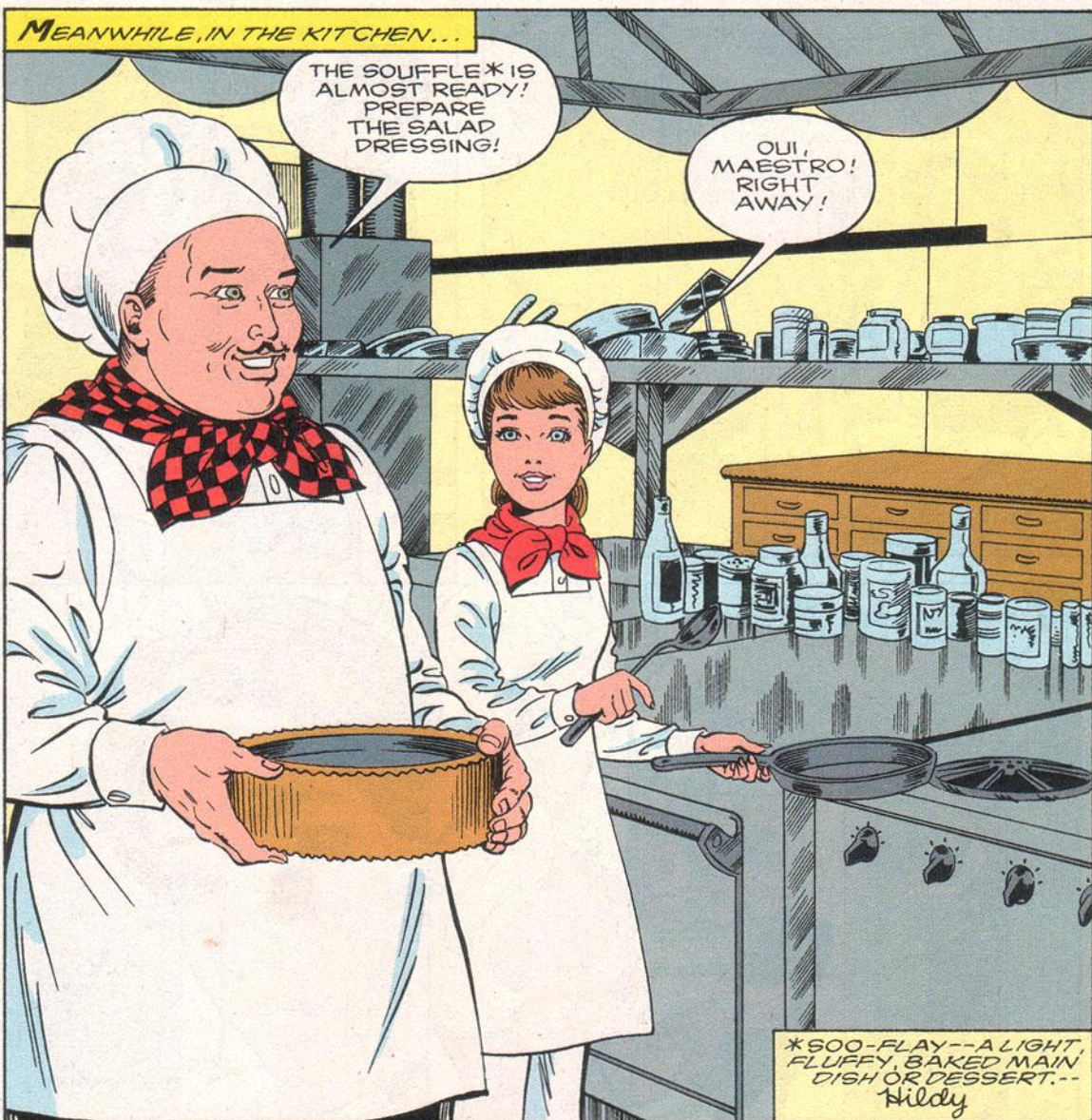
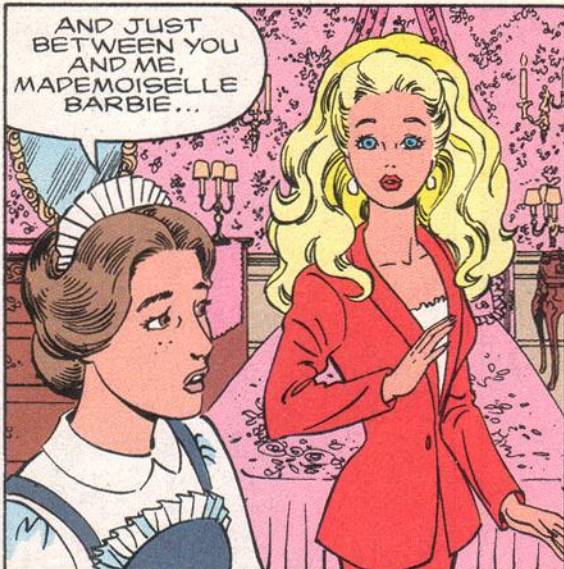
NO, THANK YOU, PAULETTE. I THINK I HAVE EVERYTHING I NEED--

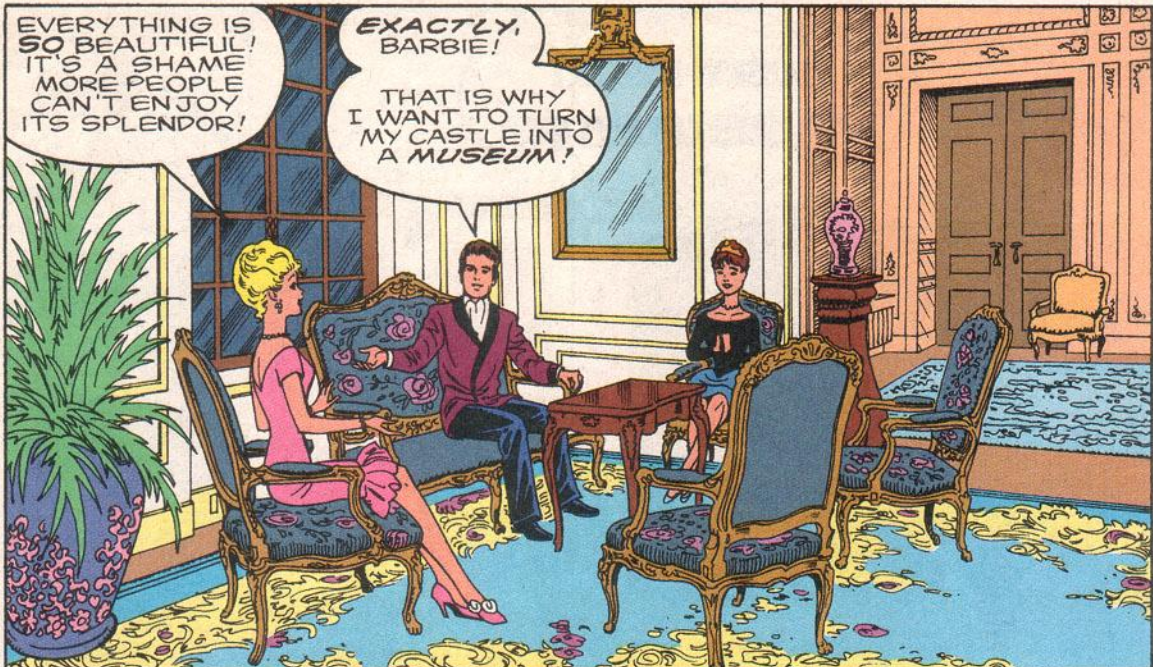
MAMA! MAMA!



I SAW HER AGAIN! I SAW THE GHOST OF ANTIOCH!







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MANSION MYSTERY
THE GHOST OF ANTIOCH

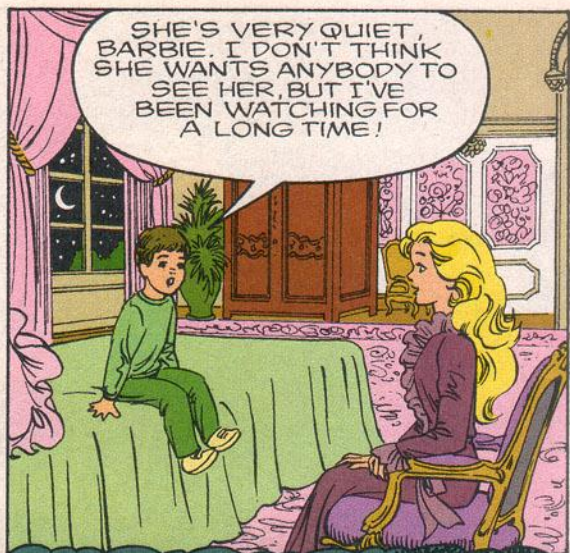
**KNOCK!
KNOCK!**

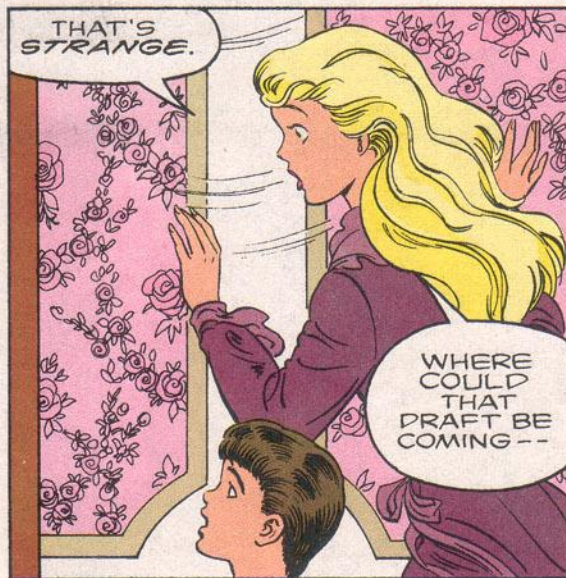
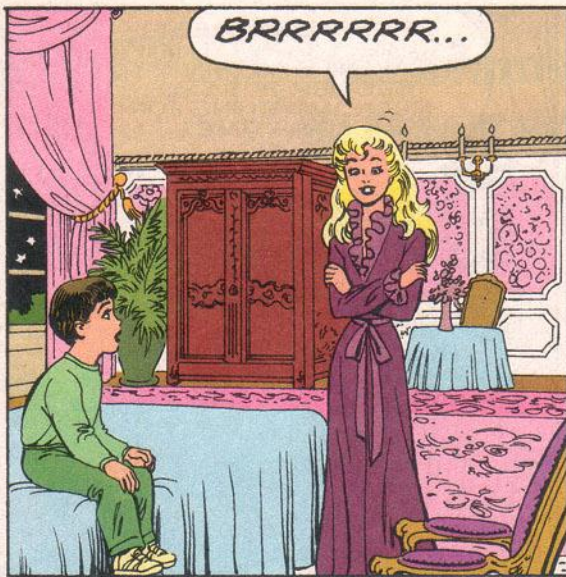
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I am having
a wonderful time
at the castle. I hope
you will come to
the wedding--

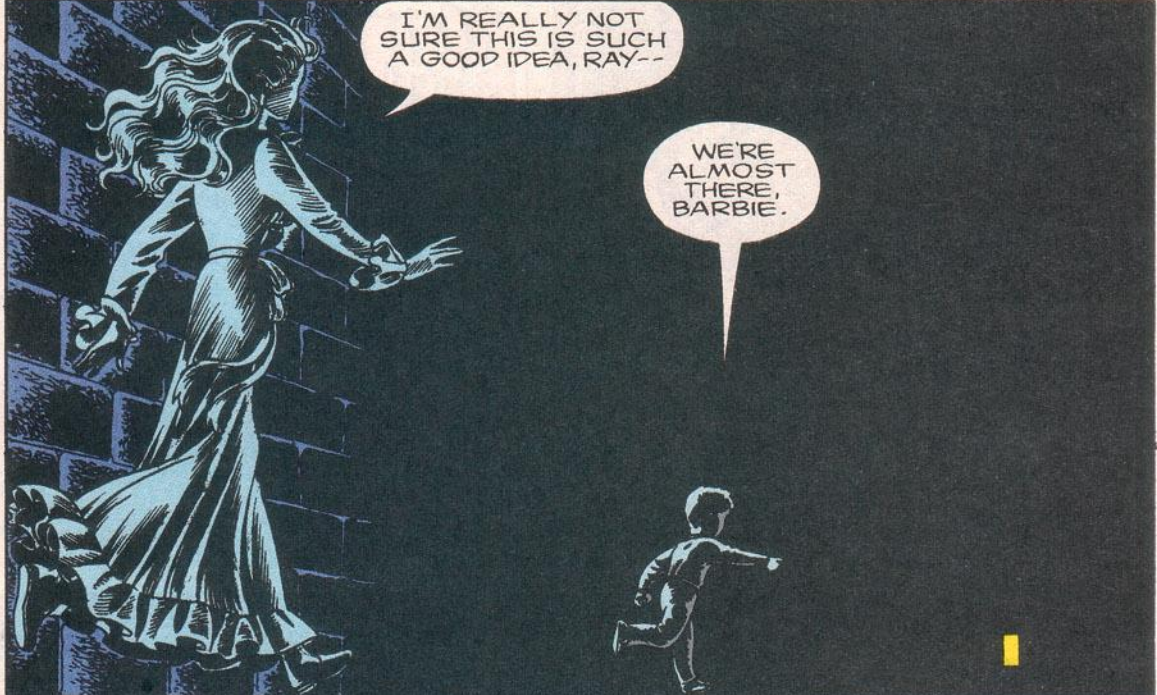
COME
IN!

YOU BELIEVE ME,
DON'T YOU,
BARBIE?

THERE REALLY IS
A GHOST IN
THIS CASTLE!

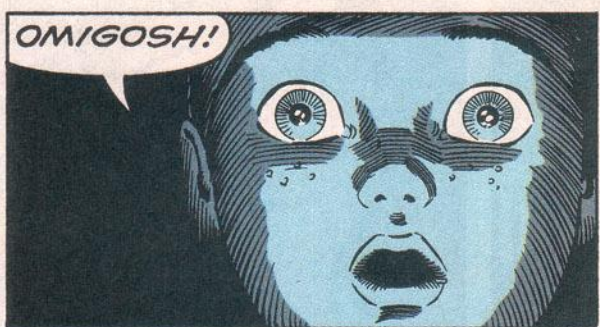






I'M REALLY NOT SURE THIS IS SUCH A GOOD IDEA, RAY--

WE'RE ALMOST THERE, BARBIE.



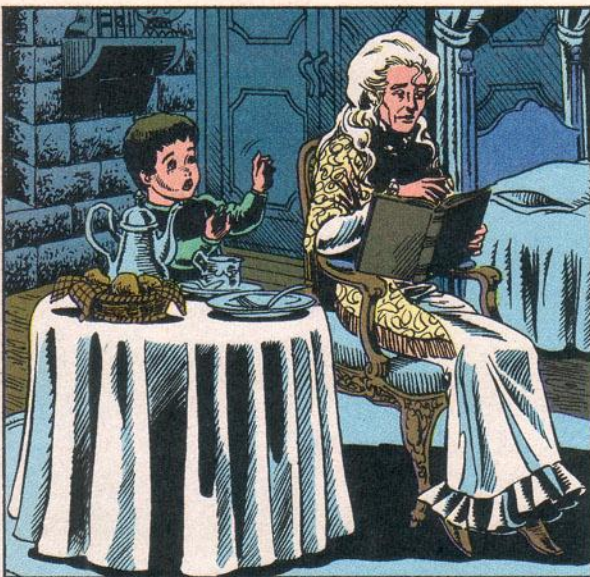
OMIGOSH!



IT'S HER!
IT'S THE GHOST OF ANTIOCH!



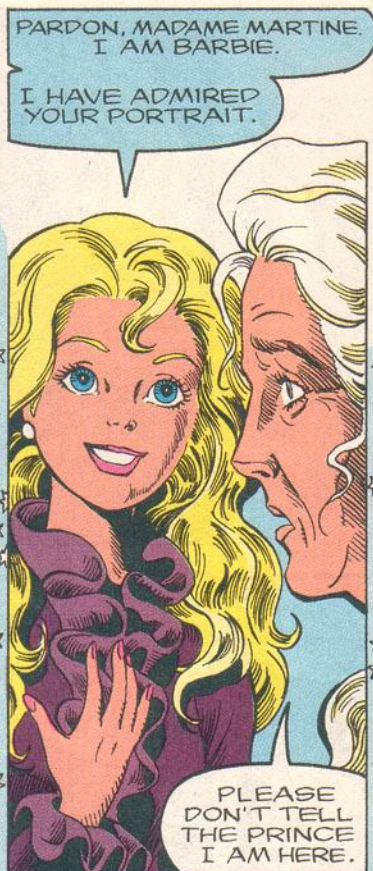
RAYMOND!





IT'S ONE THING TO
SEE A GHOST,
IT'S ANOTHER TO
TALK TO ONE.

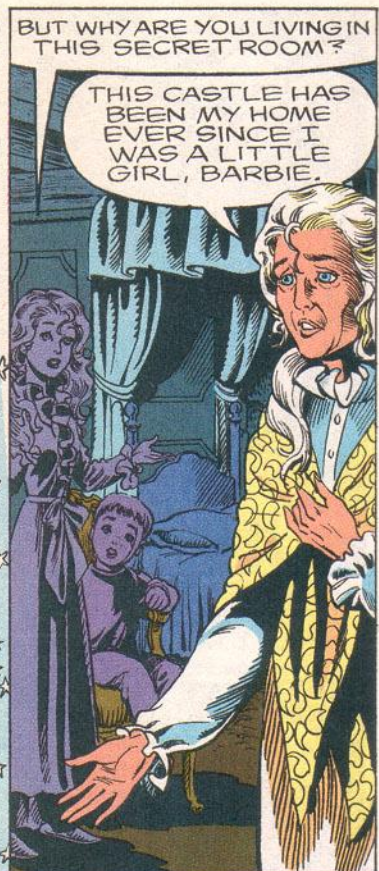
IT WOULD
HAVE BEEN
OUR SECRET.
NOBODY
BELIEVES ME
ANYWAY,
MADAME
MARTINE.
I AM **ONLY**
A BOY.



PARDON, MADAME MARTINE.
I AM BARBIE.

I HAVE ADMIRERD
YOUR PORTRAIT.

PLEASE
DON'T TELL
THE PRINCE
I AM HERE.

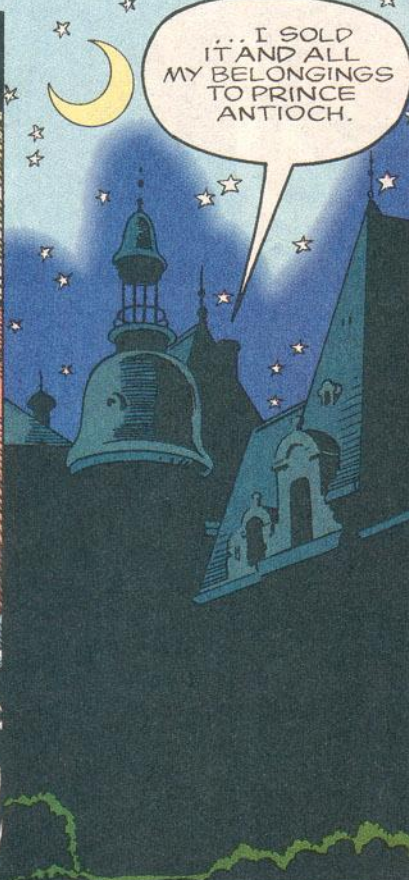


BUT WHY ARE YOU LIVING IN
THIS SECRET ROOM?

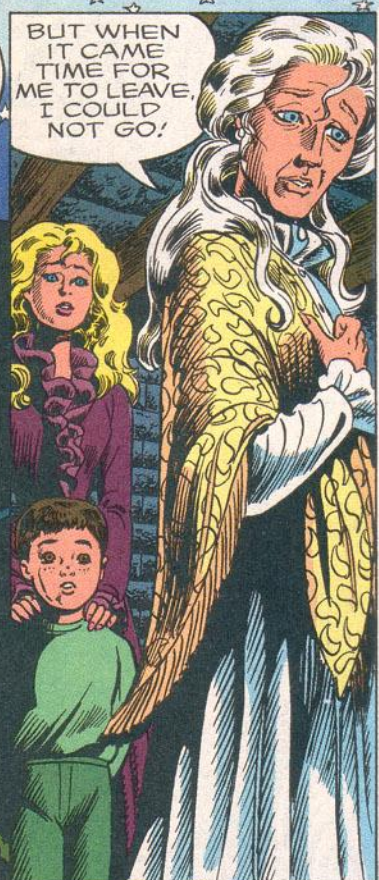
THIS CASTLE HAS
BEEN MY HOME
EVER SINCE I
WAS A LITTLE
GIRL, BARBIE.



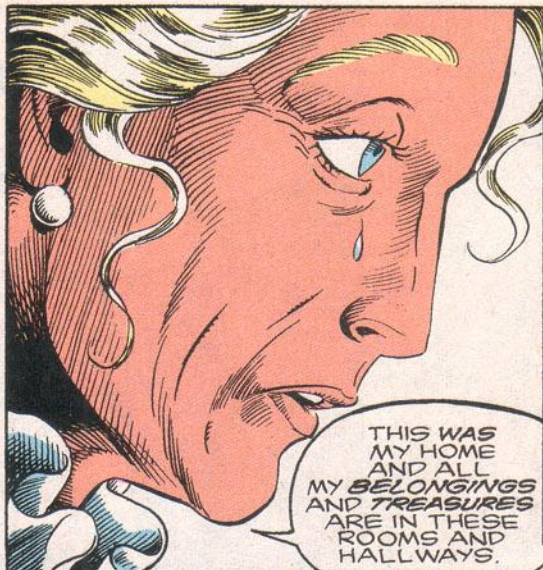
WHEN I GREW OLDER
AND COULD NO LONGER
CARE FOR SUCH
A GRAND CASTLE...



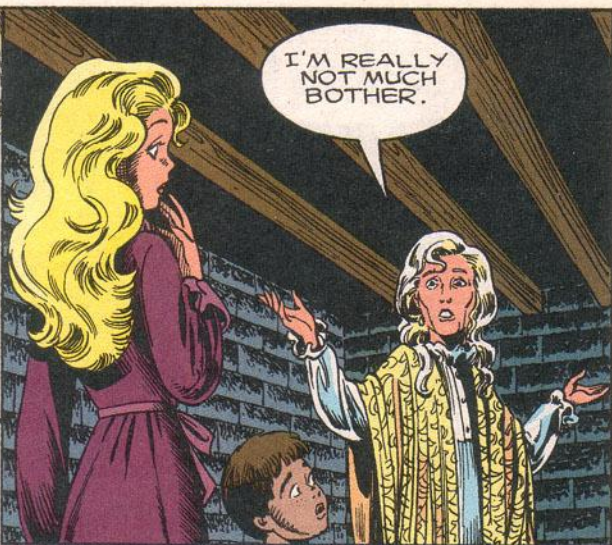
... I SOLD
IT AND ALL
MY BELONGINGS
TO PRINCE
ANTIOCH.



BUT WHEN
IT CAME
TIME FOR
ME TO LEAVE,
I COULD
NOT GO!



THIS WAS MY HOME AND ALL MY BELONGINGS AND TREASURES ARE IN THESE ROOMS AND HALLWAYS.

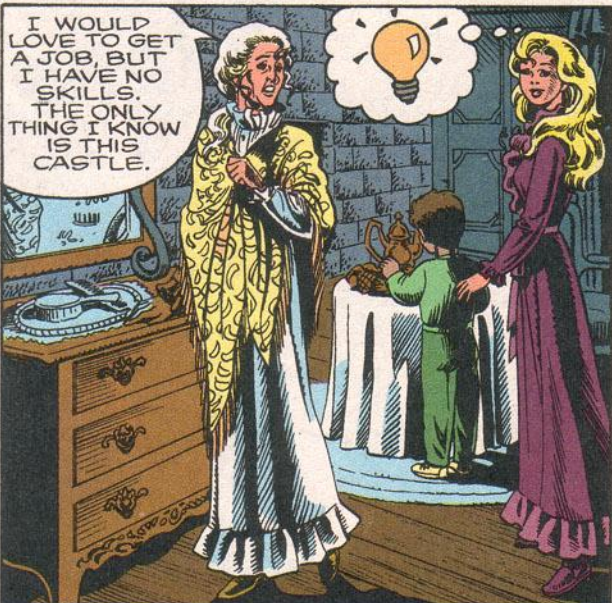


I'M REALLY NOT MUCH BOTHER.



I ONLY TAKE THE FOOD, LINENS, AND SILVERWARE THAT I NEED.

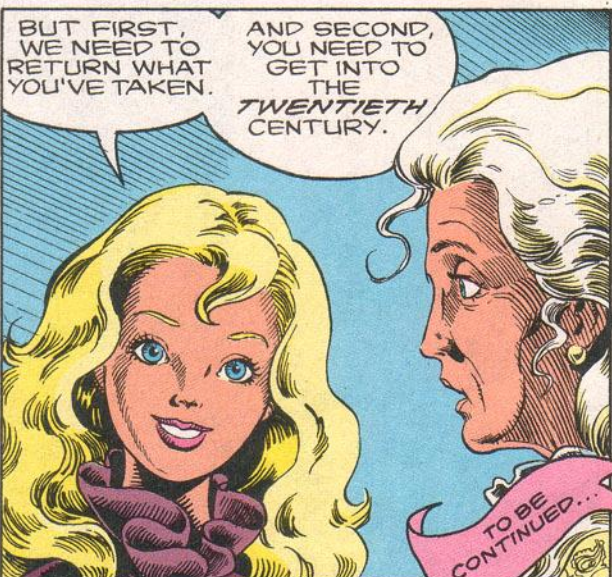
SO MADAME MARTINE IS THE THIEF!



I WOULD LOVE TO GET A JOB, BUT I HAVE NO SKILLS. THE ONLY THING I KNOW IS THIS CASTLE.



I THINK I HAVE THE PERFECT SOLUTION!



BUT FIRST, WE NEED TO RETURN WHAT YOU'VE TAKEN.

AND SECOND, YOU NEED TO GET INTO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

TO BE CONTINUED...

PT. 5 MANSION MYSTERY
WEDDING PRESENCE

THE NEXT DAY...

OH MY! THERE'S SO MUCH TO DO TO PREPARE FOR THE WEDDING!

MORE FLOWERS!
MORE VASES.
MORE--

--LINENS!?

AND I THOUGHT THE BUTLER OR COOK STOLE THEM!

AND NOW FOR THE
PIECE DE RESISTANCE!

PARDON,
MAESTRO!

I FOUND
THE BAGUETTES
IN THE PANTRY!

I GUESS THEY
WEREN'T STOLEN
AFTER ALL!

!?

THIS PLACE SETTING
IS PERFECT FOR
THE WEDDING!

BUT...IT'S ALL HERE!
THAT'S STRANGE. I THOUGHT
THE COOK OR MAID
STOLE A SETTING.

?

AND SOON...



BON JOUR!

WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY FOR A WEDDING!

BON JOUR, MADEMOISELLE BARBIE!



BON JOUR, JACQUELINE AND MONSIEUR MAESTRO!

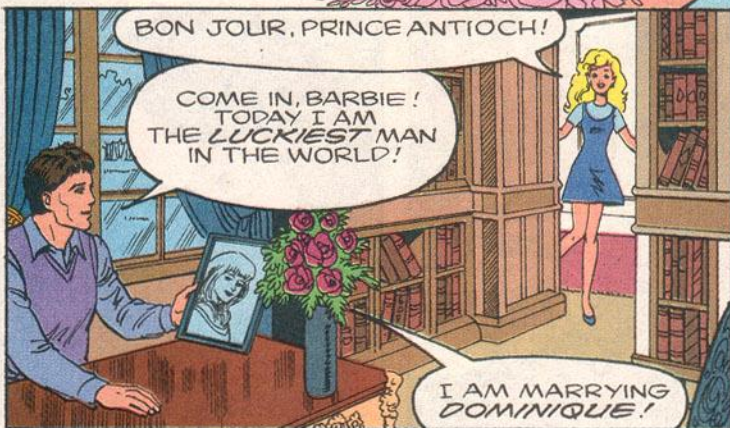
BON JOUR, JACQUELINE AND PAULETTE!

BON JOUR, PAULETTE AND MONSIEUR MAESTRO!

I'M SO GLAD THEY'RE ALL TALKING TO EACH OTHER.



I'M SO ASHAMED! I THOUGHT ONE OF THEM WAS A THIEF!



BON JOUR, PRINCE ANTIOCH!

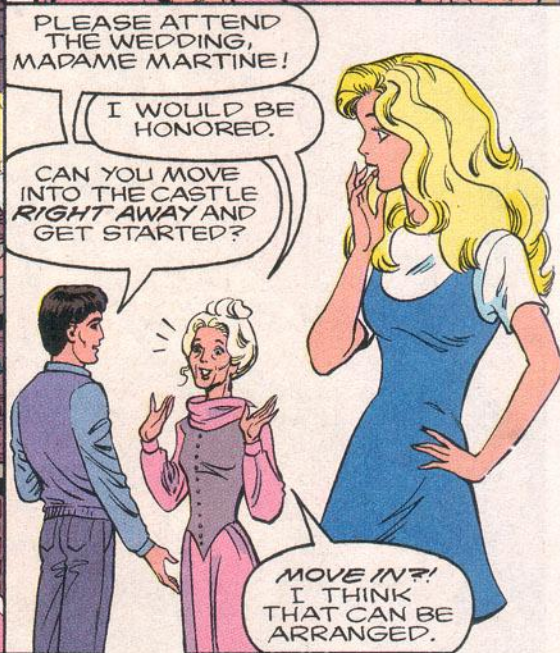
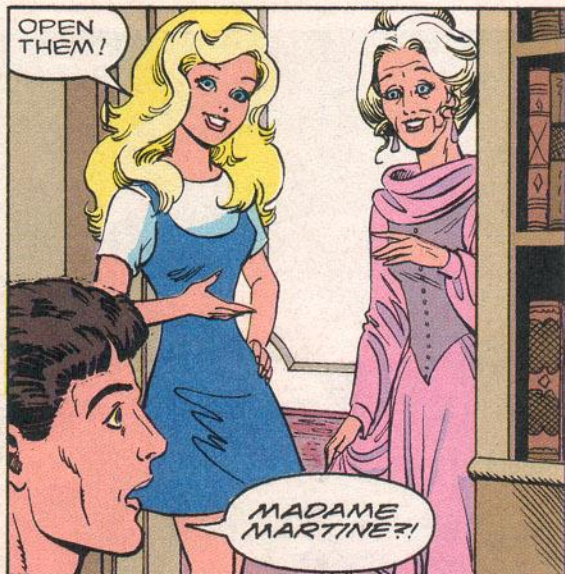
COME IN, BARBIE! TODAY I AM THE LUCKIEST MAN IN THE WORLD!

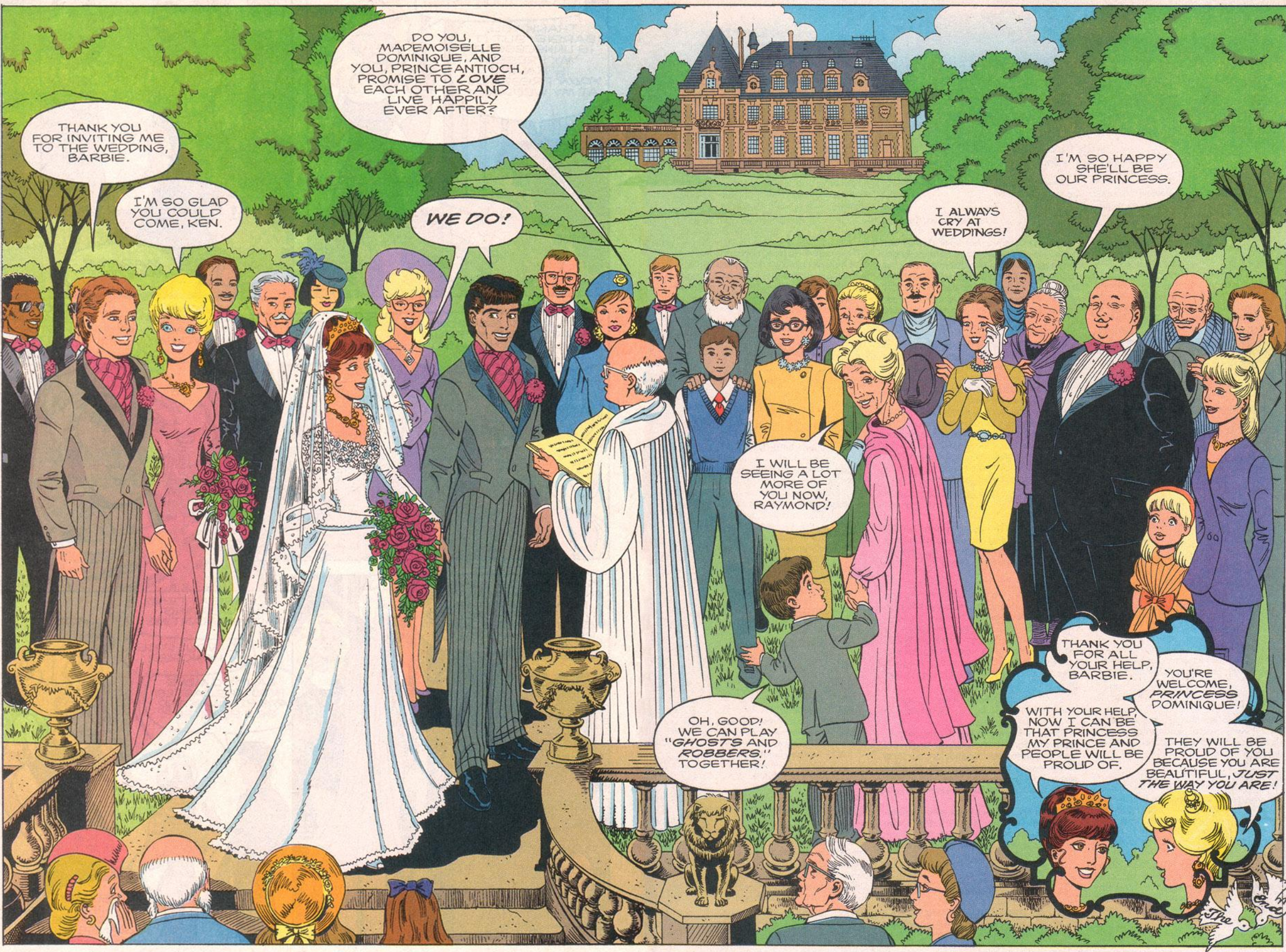
I AM MARRYING DOMINIQUE!



I AM SO HAPPY FOR YOU!

AND NOW, I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU YOUR WEDDING PRESENT!





THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME TO THE WEDDING, BARBIE.

I'M SO GLAD YOU COULD COME, KEN.

DO YOU, MADEMOISELLE DOMINIQUE, AND YOU, PRINCE ANTIOCH, PROMISE TO LOVE EACH OTHER AND LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER?

WE DO!

I ALWAYS CRY AT WEDDINGS!

I'M SO HAPPY SHE'LL BE OUR PRINCESS.

I WILL BE SEEING A LOT MORE OF YOU NOW, RAYMOND!

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP, BARBIE.

YOU'RE WELCOME, PRINCESS DOMINIQUE!

WITH YOUR HELP, NOW I CAN BE THAT PRINCESS MY PRINCE AND PEOPLE WILL BE PROUD OF.

THEY WILL BE PROUD OF YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL, JUST THE WAY YOU ARE!

OH, GOOD! WE CAN PLAY "GHOSTS AND ROBBER." TOGETHER!

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Hey, kids — since we print your name, age, city and state, please include them on your letters.

Dear BARBIE,

Hello! My name is Teresa Albert. I bought my BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics at the ABC Food Market in Montrose, Pennsylvania. Could you send more of your fantastic comics there? Thank you.

Teresa Albert, age 11
Kingsley, PA

We're so glad you like the comics, Teresa! But here at Marvel, we only *make* the comics, we don't sell them! If your local market or comics shop runs out of BARBIE or BARBIE FASHION comics, let the store manager know you're a big fan and ask if he or she can order more. But the best way to guarantee you don't miss another issue, is to subscribe! Subscribers receive their comics every month, right at their doorstep! Simply fill out the subscription form in the back of this very issue and mail it in. Be sure to check with a parent or an adult first. Thanks for writing and good luck!

Dear BARBIE,

My name is Elizabeth, and I live in Michigan. I just wanted to write to say how much I like Barbies, and how much I love your comics. I've got lots of Barbie stuff. I'm your number one fan!

Elizabeth Sarah Bommarito, age 10
Allen Park, MI

Thanks so much for writing, Elizabeth! It's always nice to hear that you're enjoying BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION!

Dear BARBIE,

My name is Jessica. I like your comics even though I just have two of them.

I have lots of Barbie dolls at my house. I have two Barbie dolls that my mom gave me. My mom played with Barbie dolls when she was a little girl. She likes Barbie, too!

Jessica Aguirre, age 8
El Paso, TX

That's one of the things that's so special about Barbie, Jessica! Mothers and daughters can both be Barbie fans! She's a doll for all ages!

Dear Barbie,

This may be the first letter to your comics from a guy. I've been buying BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION for my niece for a few years now. I usually read them myself. The artwork is wonderful and the stories are nice. Barbie is a great role model for kids — and maybe adults, too.

Your stories touch me deep down inside, where I think I've locked my childhood safely away. I wish they didn't, and I'm glad they do. I wish these comics had been around when I was a kid. They might have made a big difference in my life.

Anyway, I just wanted to say thanks. Keep up the good work.

Deva
British Columbia, Canada

Actually, yours was not the first letter from a guy, Deva! We get letters from many different types of fans, and that includes guys! Thanks for writing and touching us with the kind words for BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics. As long as we have readers like you, you can be sure we'll keep up the good work!

Dear BARBIE,

Hi. When I grow up I would like to be a writer, a musician, or an astronaut. I think I have a good shot at getting the perfect job for me. Sometimes, when I finish practicing my viola, I reach for one of your comics to get the feeling back in my arms!

I have quite a lot of comics from many comic companies, but for some reason, I only read yours! Why? Your comics are extraordinary and eloquent! They are fun and delightful to read! I really enjoy your comics and I'm happy that I have something to reach for after practicing my festival music.

Laurie Vazquez, age 11
Holbrook, NY

Thanks for all the compliments, Laurie! You sound as if you are very committed to reaching your goals! And, as you already know, practice makes perfect!

Dear BARBIE,

My name is Heather and I love reading BARBIE FASHION. I hope to become a fashion designer when I get to college. The way I chose to be a fashion designer was by seeing the new looks for Barbie right next to the letters page! I thought it was cool to make up your own clothes! Do you have any suggestions for a college where there is a good program in fashion design?

Heather Mihalek, age 10
Cleveland, OH

There are many excellent schools to study fashion design, Heather! You can begin your research on fashion institutes at your local library, and by talking with a parent or adult about your goals. When you are in high school, your guidance counselor can help you.

In the meantime, we hope you'll be sending in some of your original designs to the address at the top of this page, and enjoying the few we have room to print every month!

Dear Barbie,

My name is Jennifer and I am 11 years old. My mom and I are big fans of yours! We read all of your BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comic books. I like your comics because unlike

other comic books, there is no violence, the women are fully dressed, and the drawings are pretty, colorful and realistic!

Jennifer Rodriguez, age 11
Lake Elsinore, CA

It's wonderful to hear that Barbie has fans of all ages, Jennifer! We're glad you and your mom share such a great experience each month. We hope you enjoyed the *tres beaux* colors of Paris in this very issue! Thanks to our colorist/correspondence editor, Sarra Mossoff!



BARBIE'S BIRTHDAY CORNER

This is the time of year when we all look forward to celebrating the holidays! But some of our BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers will be celebrating more than the holidays — their birthdays! The birthdays this month are:

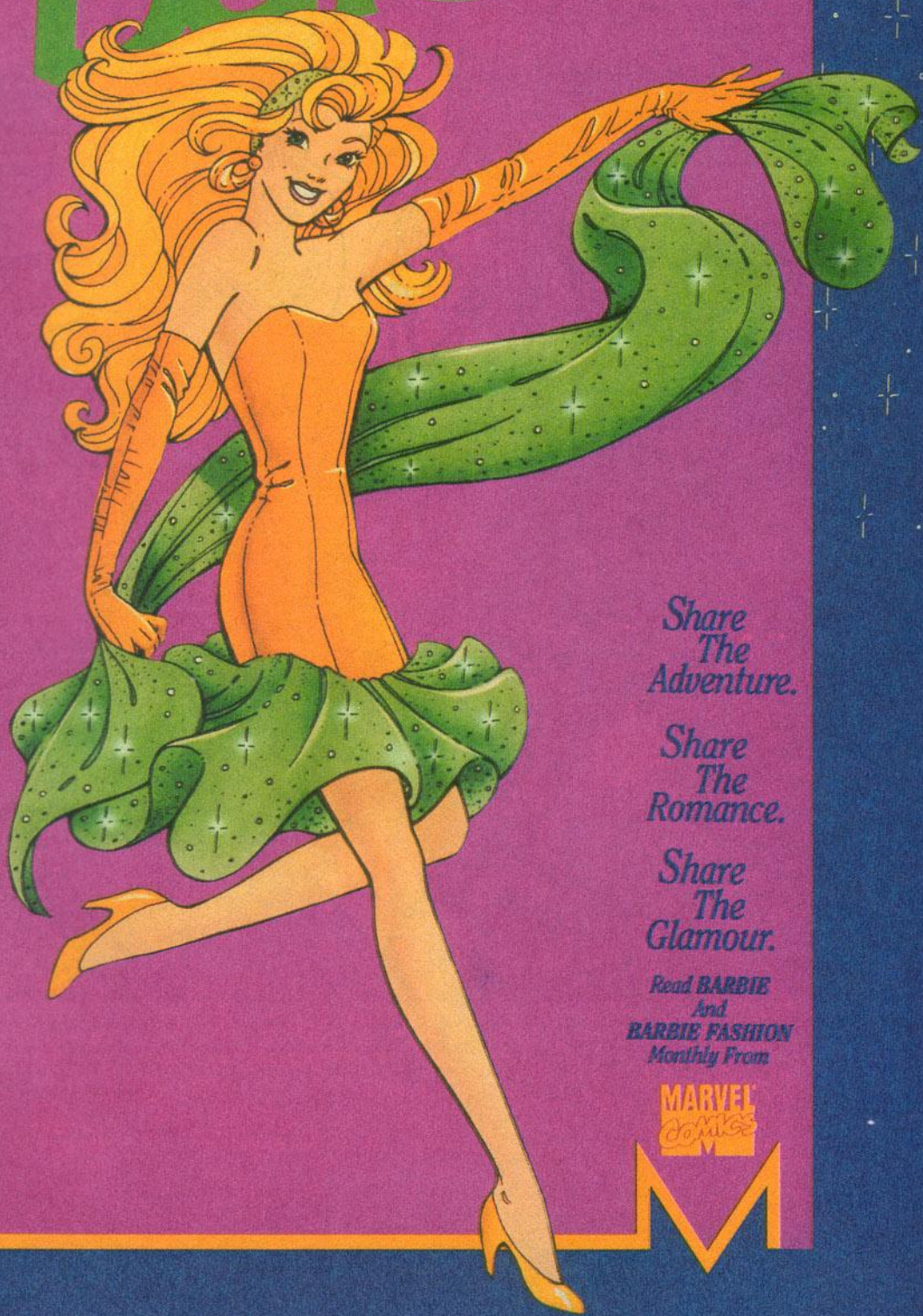
- 12/1, Katie Anderson, 9, Clifton, NJ
- 12/17, Heather Anna Lee Norman, 9, New Braunfels, TX
- 12/19, Tasia Lee, 7, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- 12/19, Josephine Gonzalez, 12, Richmond Hill, NY
- 12/19, Michelle Lenhart, 7, Bloomsburg, PA
- 12/21, Kimberly Hamilton, 11, Wilmington, NC
- 12/22, Christine Kaymen, 13, Australia
- 12/23, Tiffany Hanselman, 11, Hoosick Falls, NY
- 12/24, Sara Junya, 9, Byron, IL
- 12/25, Kate Stenson, 10, Cleveland Heights, OH
- 12/25, Sara Jones, 7, Punta Gorda, FL
- 12/26, Liza Silbey, 9, Miami, FL
- 12/28, Tonini Peterside, 8, Victoria Island, Lagos, Nigeria
- 12/29, Lindsey Brooke Deckard, 10, Lafayette, TN
- 12/31, Rachael Mesnik, 2, Naples, FL

And a very special happy birthday on 12/28 to Ralf Macchio, Barbie's favorite *daredevil*!

Happy birthday to these and all the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers celebrating their special day this month!

If you would like to see your birthday here, send your name, age, address and birthday to the address at the top of this page. Be sure to send it in six months ahead of time!

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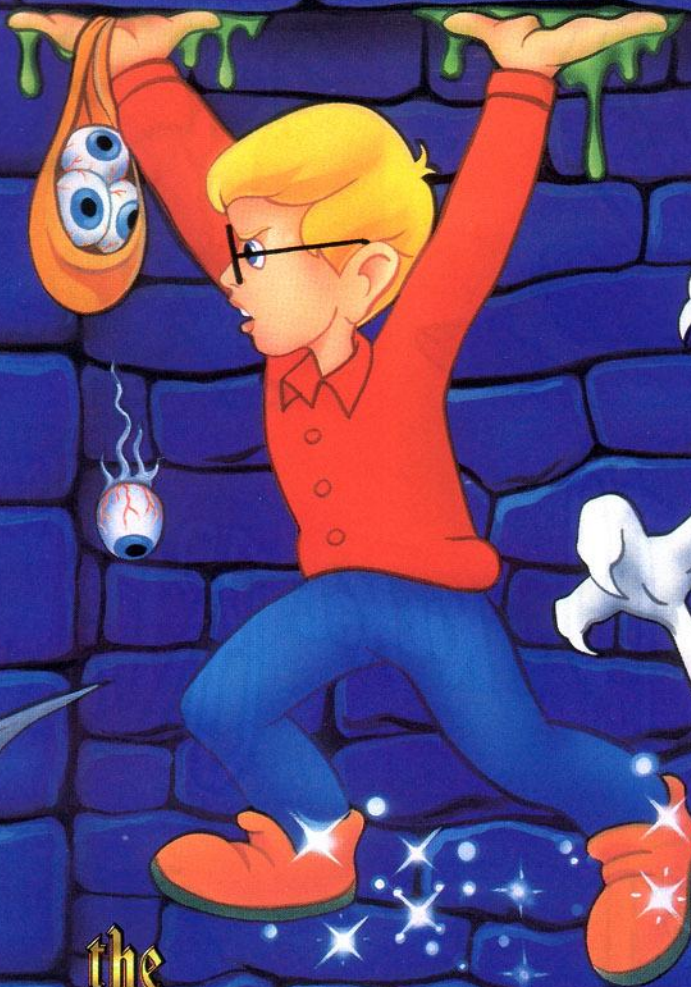
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the Pagemaster



Escape from danger
with sticky hands!



Fight fire-breathing
dragon!



Swing a sword to defeat
pirates!



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#1: Hammer



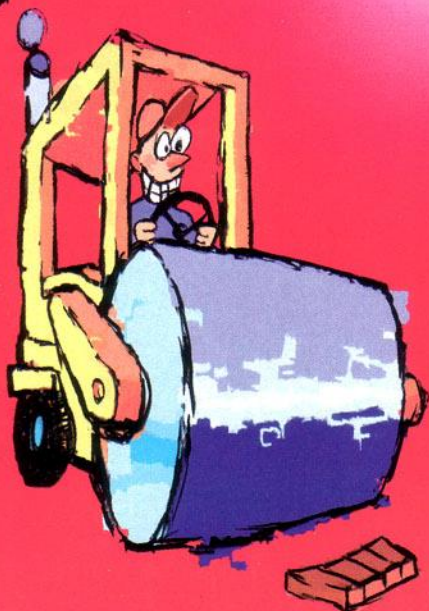
#2: Karate



HOW TO



BREAK IT



#3: Steamroller



#4: You

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